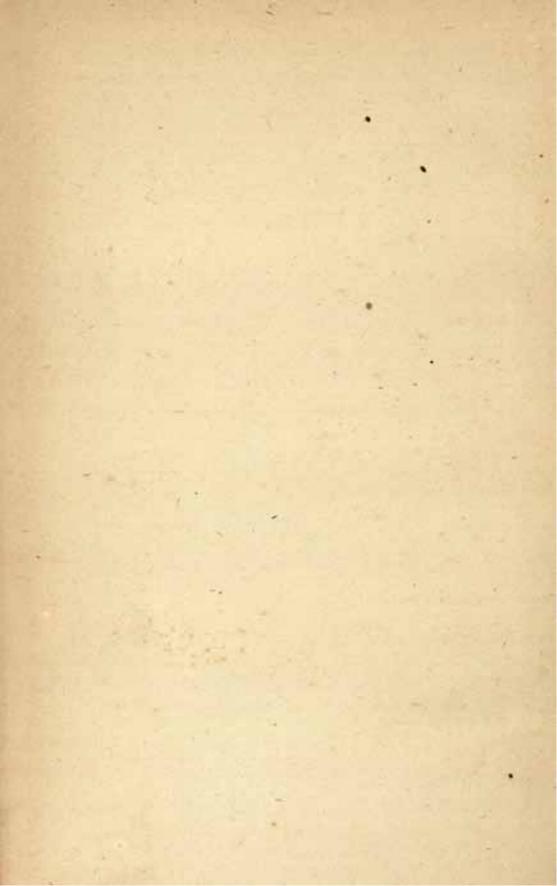
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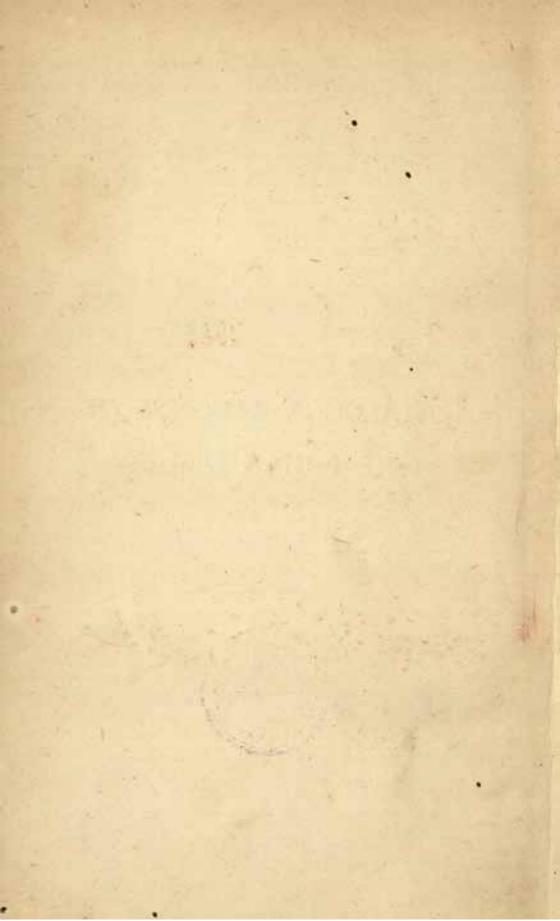
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PREFACE.

It was Munshi Sayyid Sadr-ud-Din of Bühar in Bardawan who laid the foundation of the Bühar Library. He was Mir Munshi of Mir Ja'far, Nawwab of Murshidabad, and tutor to his son and successor, Najm-ud-Daulah. He served subsequently as Munshi to Warren Hastings, and in that capacity played an important part in the transfer of the Diwani from the Nawwab of Murshidabad to the East India Company. The Emperor Shah 'Alam, who held him in high esteem, appointed him Mutawalli (Trustee) of the Bä'is Hazari Parganahs of Bengal, the tenure of which had been granted to the eminent saint, Sayyid Jalal Tabrizi (d. A.H. 642-A.D. 1244) who came to Panduah, in Bengal, in the seventh century of the Hijrah.

In A.H. 1189-A.D. 1775 Munshhi Sadr-ud-Din founded the famous Jaläliyah Madrasah, placing at its head Maulana 'Abd-ul-'Ali of Lucknow (d. A.H. 1225-A D. 1810), popularly known as Bahr ul-'Ulum or the "Sea of Knowledge," the distinguished Indian scholar and writer. Munshi Sadr-ud-Din attached to the Madrasah the "Jaläliyah Library," as the Bühar Library was originally designated. The income of the Bä'ls Hazari Parganahs provided the funds required for the Jaläliyah

Madrasah and the Library.

Munshi Sadr-ud-Din died on the 14th of Ramadan, A H. 1211-A.D. 1796. The other member of the Bühar family with whom we are concerned is another Sadr-ud-Din, the great-grandson of Munshi Sayyid Sadr-ud-Din, and to be distinguished from him as Maulaei Sadr-ud-Din Ahmad. He was born in Bühar in A.H. 1259-A.D. 1843. He evinced from boyhood an eager taste and exceptional aptitude for Oriental learning. He became a good scholar. A large number of the manuscripts of the Bühar Library contain notes from his hand, showing how attentively he had perused them. The works we owe him are the Rawa'ih-ul-Mustafa and an edition of Nasa'i's al-Khasa'is. He is reported to have written a reply to Maulavi Shibli Nu'mani's Al-Fārūq; but his work, entitled Al-Murtada, remains unpublished.

How extensive the Bühär Library was at the time of the decease of Munshi Sadr-ud-Din is not known. Much is understood to have been lost between that date and the assumption of charge by Maulavi Sadr-ud-Din Ahmad about the middle of last century. It then consisted of only 100 manuscripts and some printed books. By 1905 it had grown by purchase, as well as by the addition of copies of manuscripts in other Indian libraries, to a collection of four hundred and sixty-eight Arabic manuscripts, four hundred and eighty-three Persian manuscripts, one Turkish manuscript, and one Urdú manuscript, besides about nine hundred and forty Arabic, four hundred Persian, and one hundred and forty Urdú books, printed or lithographed. This growth was due entirely to the enthusiastic spirit of

Maulavi Sadr-ud-Din Ahmad.

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It was the same spirit that dictated the wish that the Bûhâr Library should remain intact for the use of all succeeding generations of Arabic and Persian scholars. To secure this Maulavi Şadr-ud-Dîn Ahmad presented the library to the Government of India under an agreement, signed by himself and by the Secretary to the Government of India in the Home Department on behalf of the Secretary of State for India, on the 22nd August, 1904. In accordance with the agreement the Bûhâr Library, which is always to be so designated, is preserved in a separate room in Metcalfe Hall in Calcutta Two illuminated manuscripts, one, the Qurân, written in a beautiful minute Naskh by the Emperor Aurangzib. A.H. 1099, the other, a copy of the Panj Sûrah, written in a learned Naskh in gold by the prince Dârâ Shikûh, are in the custody of the Trustees of the Victoria Memorial Hall in Calcutta; but this too, is in accordance with the agreement.

Maulavi Sadr-ud-Din Ahmad died in 1905, less than a year after

the presentation of the library to the Government of India.

The compilation of a calalogue raisonné of the manuscripts was begun by Maulavî Abul Khayr Muhammad Yûsuf, who held the post of clerk-in-charge of the Bûhâr Library from July 1905 to October 1906. He dealt only with the Arabic manuscripts. His successor, Maulavi Qäsim Hasir Radawi, who held the post from 1906-1909, prepared notices of nearly all the Persian manuscripts. The work was perforce suspended during the incumbency of the next clerk-in-charge, for, although a good Arabic scholar, he was without the aptitude requisite for cataloguing. In December 1914, the Secretary of State for India accorded his sanction to a proposal that Maulavi Hidâyat Husayn, Professor of Arabic and Persian at the Presidency College, Calcutta, should be entrusted with the revision and completion of Maulavi Abul Khayr's catalogue of the Arabic manuscripts, and that Khân Şâhib 'Abd-ul-Muqtadir, the cataloguer of the Persian manuscripts in the Oriental Public Library at Bankipur, should do the same

for Maulavi Hasir's catalogue of the Persian manuscripts.

I deal in what follows only with the catalogue of the Persian manuscripts. It is less full than some of those that have been published of similar but larger collections of manuscripts. If was thought unnecessary to repeat the biographical accounts of well-known authors that are to be found in other catalogues. Following the example of Dr. E. Blochet in his " Catalogue des Manuscrits Persans de la Bibliothèque Nationale," Khan Sahib Abd-ul-Muqtadir has not given references to notices of other manuscript copies in other catalogues. Full biographical accounts have, however, been given whenever possible, of authors not well known, and each manuscript of special interest has been made the subject of a relatively long notice. A point has been made of placing the notices of the manuscripts so as to show the chronological sequence of the works in the library on history, biography. and the other eight groups. Effort has also been made to ascertain the places of birth and the dates of death of authors. The determination of the precise date of composition, or the approximate date; hasbeen done thoroughly; and the external appearance of the manuscripts. the nature of the hand writing, the existence of lacunae, and the misplacing of folios by the binder have always been noted.

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Several of the manuscripts here described are of great interest; but the gem of the collection is a unique history of Herat (No. 58), written in the beginning of the eighth century of the Hijrah by an author who was himself an eye-witness of most of the events narrated by him. Attention may also be called to a very rare copy of a cosmographical work (No. 97). composed in the beginning of the latter half of the sixth century A.H.; to a rare, though incorrect, copy of Shams-i-Qays's Al-Mu'jam (No. 262). a work on rhyme and prosody of which only three other copies are known to exist; to the rare copies of Nizami's Diwan (No. 294); the Magnawis of Jamal-i Kanbûhî (No. 357); the Khamsah of Sarii Kashmiri (No. 366), and to a very interesting and extremely rare copy of Sharaf-ud-Din 'All Yazdi's anthology (No. 431). Among other interesting manuscripts are a beautifully written copy of Firdausi's Shah Namah (No. 276), containing fine illustrations of the Persian school, an illuminated copy of Nizâmi's Khamsah (No. 295); a beautifully illustrated copy of the Khawar Namah (No. 328), representing the finest specimen of Indian miniature painting and calligraphy; and a good and correct copy of Daulat Shah's Tadkirat-ush-Shu'ara (No. 90). dated A.H. 980; and a beautifully written copy of Gazali's Kimiya-i-Sa'fidat (No. 166), dated A.H. 903, transcribed from, and collated with, the author's copy.

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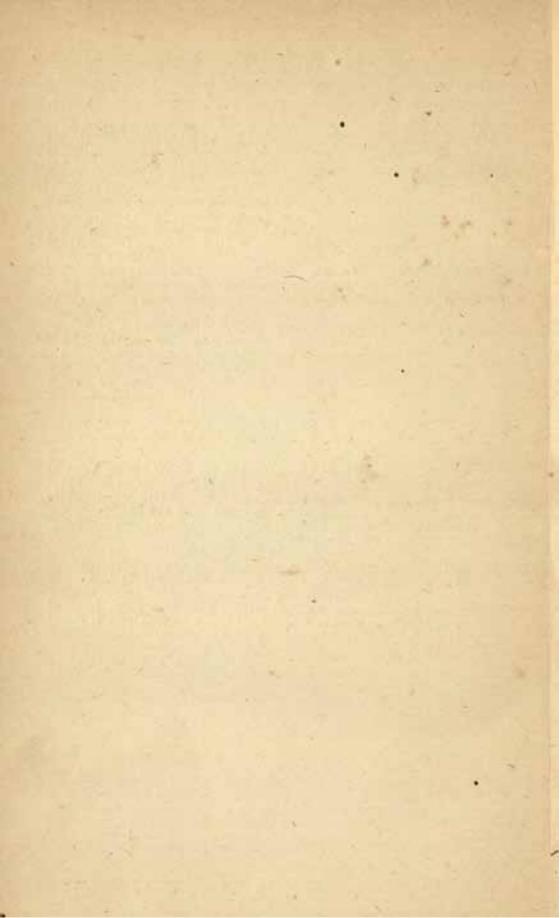
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Library shall be taken out of Calcutta."

The hope may be expressed that the publication of this catalogue and the catalogue of the Arabic manuscripts, now far advanced, may serve to make the Bühär Library more widely known to Arabic and Persian scholars. The Imperial Library collections of Arabic, Persian, and Urdū books, now small, but steadily growing, are also freely at the disposal of visitors to the Bühär Library. Dependence is placed on their co-operation in building up these collections.

J. A. CHAPMAN.

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TRANSLITERATION TABLE.

= 'a, 'i, 'u.

 $\Delta = a$.

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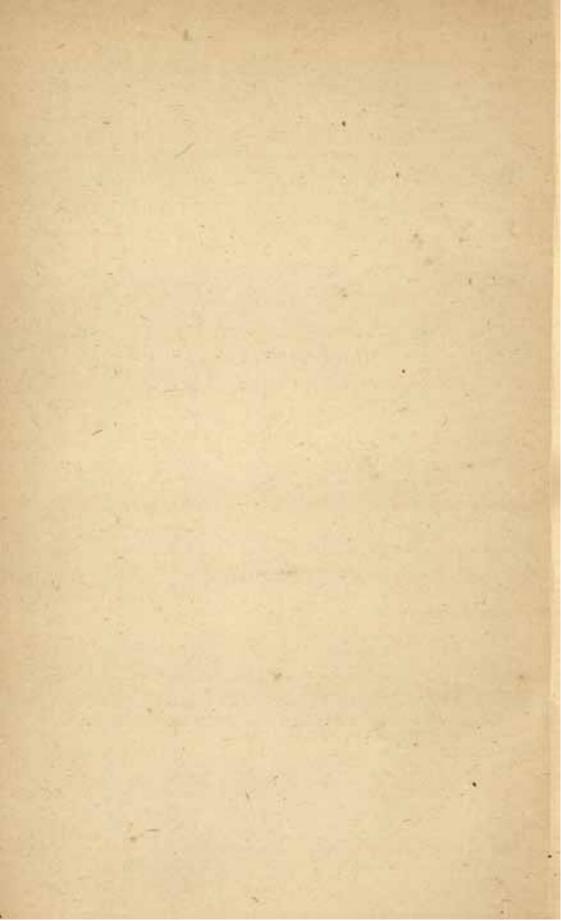
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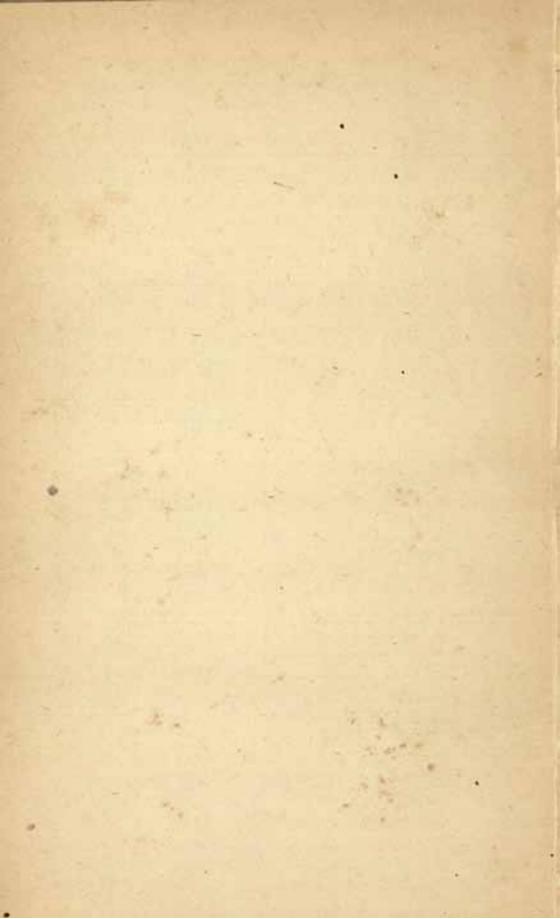
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I. HISTORY.

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No. 1.

foll. 626; lines 19; size 13×8; 9×41.

تاريخ گزيدة TARÎKH-I-GUZÎDAH.

A general history of the world from the earliest times to A.H. 730 — A.D. 1329, by Hamd Ullah b. Abi Bakr b. Ahmad b. Naṣr Mustaufi of Qazwin معد الله بن ابني بكربن احمد بن تصر مستوفى القزويذي completed in the aforesaid year and dedicated to the Wazir Giyaşud-Din Muḥammad, the son of Rashid-ud-Din Fadl Ullah.

Beginning:

مهاس و ستایش بادشاهی را که ملک او بی زوال است.

The work is divided into an introduction (Fâtiḥah), six chapters (Bâbs), each sub-divided into several sections (Faṣis), and an appendix (Khâtimah), as follows:—

Introduction, on the creation of the world, fol. 146.

Chapter I, Prophets and sages from Adam to Muhammad, fol. 17^a (in two sections).

Chapter II, Pre-Islamic kings, fol. 80° (in four sections).

Chapter III, Muhammad, his Khalifs, friends and descendants, fol. 127a (in six sections).

Chapter IV, Islamic kings, fol. 363a (in twelve sections).

Chapter V, Mujtahids, Qaris, Traditionists, Shaykhs, 'Ulama, and Poets, fol. 545° (in six sections). The introductory heading is wanting here.

Chapter VI (wrongly written here بالب), Account of the author's native land Qazwin, fol. 584a (in eight sections). This chapter has been translated by M. Barbier de Meynard in the Journal Asiatique, 5a série, vol. x, pp. 257-295.

The appendix, containing a description of genealogical tables devised by the author to illustrate general history, is wanting. Prof. E. G. Browne has reproduced the work in facsimile from a MS. dated A.H. 857, with an introduction. Fol. 407 is blank.

The copy is full of corrections and emendations, but clerical

errors and gaps are numerous.

Written in cursive Indian Ta'liq. The headings are written

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 2.

foll, 101; lines 27-30; size 10×7; 8×5.

روفة الصفا

RAUDAT-US-SAFÂ.

A fragment of the most popular universal history Raudat-uṣ-Ṣafā, which was composed by Mir Khwānd (d. A.H. 903 — A.D. 1497) عند at the request of Mir 'Ali Shir Nawā'i. The entire work is divided into eight volumes, but the present copy comprises only the latter portion of the fifth volume beginning with the history of the kings of Egypt, who reigned there after the extinction of the Ismā'ilis, and ending with the account of Khwājah 'Alī Muwayyid, the last ruler of the Sarbadārs, corresponding with pp. 94-186 of vol. v of the Bombay Edition.

The MS, opens abruptly thus :-

اقبیک ترکمان عازم بخاوا کردند و با اقبیک گفت که اگر مردم بخارا .

The Raudat-us-Safa has been lithographed in Bombay, A.H. 1271, and in Teheran, A.H. 1270-74. A Turkish translation of the work was printed at Constantinople, A.H. 1258.

The present copy, written in a learned Naskh with rubrics,

seems to be a correct one.

The last nine folios are damaged and are pasted in several places.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

A seal dated A.H. 1213 and bearing the inscription كفيل الدبي is found on the last folio of the copy.

No. 3.

foll. 343; lines 20; size 14×9; 97×6.

خلامة الاخبار

KHULÂŞAT-UL-AKHBÂR.

A general history from the earliest times to A.H. 905 = A.D. 1499, which the author Giyâş-ud-Dîn b. Humâm-ud-Dîn, surnamed

Khwand Amir عيات الدين بن هماء الدين الماقب بحواند امير (born at Herat about A.H. 880 — A.D. 1475, died in Gujarat, A.H. 941 — A.D. 1534) abridged from his maternal grandfather Mir Khwand's well-known historical work Raudat-us-Safa.

Beginning:-

خلاصة كلمات راويان اخبار انبيار عاليمقدار .

The author wrote the work at the request of Mir 'Ali Shir Nawa'i. It is divided into a Muqaddimah, ten Maqalahs and a Khatimah.

A great portion of the work has been translated by Major

David Price in his Retrospect of Muhammadan History.

Written in a clear Nasta'liq within gold and coloured ruled borders with a beautifully illuminated frontispiece and 'Unwan.

Not dated, apparently 17th century. The MS, is in a very damaged condition.

No. 4.

foll. 215; lines 19; size 11×8; 8×54.

حبيب الـير HABÎB-US-SIYAR.

The well-known universal history from the creation of the world to A.H. 930 — A.D. 1523, by the same Giyas-ud-Din b. Humam-ud-Din, surnamed Khwand Amir (d. A.H. 941 — A.D. 1534), who was engaged in this work from A.H. 927-930 — A D. 1521-1524. Elliot (Bibl. Index, Vol. I, p. 122), however, but on the authority of only one MS., states that the author did not complete his work until A.H. 935 — A.D. 1528.

Beginning:-

طايف اخبار لآلي نثار البياء عالي مقدار.

Edited, Teheran, A.H. 1271; Bombay, A.H. 1273.

The entire work is divided into three volumes () each of which comprises four chapters. This library possesses only the first volume bound in two separate parts.

PART I.

Iftitah or Introduction, on the creation, Iblis, Jinns, etc., fol. 11b.

Chapter I, History of the Prophets and philosophers, fol 16°. Chapter II, History of the kings of Arabia and Persia before Islamism, fol. 131°.

Chapter III, History of Muhammad, fol. 204b.

The copy breaks off in the middle of the account relating to the date of the Prophet's birth with the following words:—

يس غرة وربيع الول يا سه شنبه يا جهار شنبه .

No. 5.

foll. 216-426; lines and size same as above.

Part II or the continuation of the above, beginning with the words:—

یا چهار شفیه و بفایرین مقدمه از روی حساب نمي تواند بود که روز دو شفیه دوازدهم ربیع الول بوده باشد .

Chapter IV, History of the first four Khalifs, on fol. 322b.

Both copies are written in fair Nasta'liq by the same scribe.

The frontispiece of the first part is fairly illuminated.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 6.

foll. 119; lines 31; size 11\(\frac{1}{2}\) - 7; 9\(\frac{1}{2}\) \(5\(\frac{1}{2}\).

لُبَّ التواريخ LUBB-UT-TAWARIKH.

A general history from the earliest times to A.H. 948 — A.D. 1541 by Yahyā b. 'Abd-ul-Laṭif ul-Ḥusaynī ul-Qazwinī يعيني بن who, according to a notice of his life found at the end of this copy (fol. 1195), was born on Thursday, the 19th of Du'lqa'd, A.H. 855 — A.D. 1451, and died in Isfahān on the 23rd of Rajab, A.H. 962 — A.D. 1554.

Beginning:-

حمد و سیاس مر خدای را که سلاطین جهان ه

The work was written by order of Prince Abul Fath Bahram Mirza, the fourth son of Shah Isma'il Safawi, and was completed, according to Rieu I, p. 104, on the 20th Dul Hijjah, A.H. 948—A.D. 1541; but like Rieu's copy this one contains several accounts of a later period, e.g. the death of Humayan in A.H. 963—A.D. 1556 (fol. 90b) and even of Akbar in A.H. 1014—A.D. 1605 (fol. 118b).

A Latin translation, with the title "Medulla Historiarum," was published in A. F. Büsching's "Magazin für die neue Historie und Geographie," vol. xvii, Halle, 1783.

The work is divided into four parts called Qisms, with numerous subdivisions:—

Qism I, Muhammad and the twelve Imams, fol. 2a.

Qism II, Pre-Islamic kings, fol. 10b.

Qism III (wrongly written here مقاله حيره), The post-Muhammadan rulers, fol. 216.

Qism IV, The Safawi Kings, fol. 1026.

Written in cursive Nasta'liq within coloured ruled borders.

The colophon is dated the 14th of Safar, A.H. ثلاث ربيع بعد الف, most probably a mistake for ثلاث ربيع بعد الف, i.e. 1073. It was written at Fathabad in the Deccan by Muhammad Riḍa bin Muhammad Salih Mashhadi. The headings are written in red. The names of persons and the titles of books quoted in the text are marked with red lines.

There are several 'Ard-didahs and notes of the time of Jalalnd-Din Shah 'Alam (A.H. 1173-1221 — A.D. 1759-1806), and some

others, the dates of which range from A.H. 1173-1195.

No. 7.

foll. 286; lines 15; size 8×51; 6×31.

فكارستساق

NIGARISTÂN.

A very large collection of narrative accounts, extracted from trustworthy historical works, and arranged in proper order under the dynasties to which they relate, by Ahmad b. Muhammad b. 'Abdul Gafūr ul-Gaffāri ul-Qazwīni, better known as Qāḍī Ahmad Gaffāri عبد بن عبد الغفور الغفاري القرريني المشتربه قاضي (d. A.H. 975 — A.D. 1567), who, besides this work, wrote the well-known history called Jahān Ārā in A.H. 972—A.D. 1564 and dedicated it to Shāh Tahmāsp Ṣafawī.

Beginning:-

Foll. 138, 283 and 284 have been supplied in a later hand. There is a lacuna after fol. 2846.

Written in fair Nasta'liq.

The colophon is dated 22nd Rabi II, A.H. 168, probably a mistake for 1168.

عبد الرحيم ابن شيغ عبدالحي-: Scribe

leis

No. 8.

foll. 394; lines 34-35; size 15×81; 131×6.

روضة الطاهرين RAUDAT-UT-ŢĀHIRÎN.

A general history from the earliest times to A.H.: 1014 — A.D. 1605, by Tähir Muhammad b. 'Imād-ud-Dīn Ḥasan b. Sulṭān 'Alī b. Ḥāji Muḥammad Ḥusayn Sabzwārī طاهر محمد بن عباد الدين حساطان علي بن حاجي محمد حسين حزراري Beginning:—

بعد از حمد باری سبحانه تعالی علوة نا محدود .

According to the author's statement in the preface the first word of the title, which is equal to 1011, is a chronogram for the date of composition of the work, but the history of the reign of Akbar down to his death in A.H. 1014 shows that the work was subsequently brought down to a later period.

The work is divided into five parts (Qisms), subdivided into

chapters (Babs), and again into sections (Fasls).

A very full table of contents, in which not only the dynasties but the individual kings are enumerated, with the length of their reigns, occupies the first fourteen folios.

Contents:-

Qism I.—Prophets and sages, early kings of Persia and Arab kings, fol. 13^a.

Qism II.—The first four Khalifs and the Imams, fol. 179b.

(Space for the heading is left blank here).

Qism III.—The Turks, Chingiz Khân, Timûr, and the Şafawî kings, fol. 2116.

Qism IV.—Hindû traditions, from the Mahabharat, as translated into Persian by the order of Akbar, fol. 290b.

Qism V.—Kings of India with a special history of Akbar from his accession to his death, the nobles, poets and 'Ulamâ of his Court. This Qism ends with an account of the wonders and curiosities of the islands and harbours in the Bay of Bengal.

Qism IV is wrongly followed by the history of the reign of Akbar (foll. 346b-374b), which really belongs to the latter portion of Qism V, and the history of the earlier kings of India (foll. 377b-393b), with which the fifth Qism begins, is placed after the history of Akbar. There is a lacuna after fol. 374b and the history of Akbar breaks off in the beginning of the account relating to A.H. 1013 (two leaves have been left blank here). There is another lacuna

after fol. 393b where the narrative breaks off in the middle of the reign of Humayûn, and folio 394s abruptly opens with the concluding part of the account relating to the curiosities of the islands and harbours of Bengal.

Spaces for headings have been left blank in many places to-

wards the end of the copy.

Written in a fair Indian Ta'liq Foll. 363a-374b are written in a different hand.

Noted dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 9.

foll. 636; lines 21; size 111 × 7; 91 × 51.

منتخب التواريخ MUNTAKHAB-UT-TAWÂRÎKH.

A comprehensive general history from the beginning of the world to the time of Shah Jahan (A.H. 1037-1069—A.D. 1628-1659), to whom the work is dedicated, by Muhammad Yûsuf, b. Shaykh Rahmat Ullah ul-Ataki ul-Kan'ani معتد برسف بن شيع who completed it, according to Rieu, p. 122, in A.H. 1056—A D. 1646. See also Bank, Lib, Cat. No. 476.

Beginning:-

جميع محامد و ستايش كه مبداد فيض من الول الى الابد .

The entire work is divided into a Muqaddimah, five Qisms and a Khâtimah, but this copy comprises the Muqadimah and the first three Qisms only, as follows:—

Muqaddimah, divided into four Fasls:-

1. Utility of history, fol. 9b.

2. Creation, fol. 10a.

3. Tribes of the Jinns, fol. 13b

4. Constitution of the human body, fol. 150.

Qism I, divided into two Babs :-

1. Prophets and apostles, fol. 180.

2. Ancient sages and philosophers, fol. 1346.

Qism II, divided into two Babs :-

1. Early kings of Persia, fol. 1466.

 Kings who were contemporary with the early kings of Persia, fol. 195a.

Qism III, divided into two Babs:-

1. History of Muhammad, fol. 2385.

 History of the early Khalifs, the kings of Umayyah and the 'Abbaside Khalifs, fol. 406°.

Foll. 622**-624* are left blank and the accounts of the Khalifs Mu'tadid (A.H. 279-289 — A.D. 892-902), Muqtafi (A.H. 289-295 — A.D. 902-908) and Muqtadir (A.H. 295-320 — A.D. 908-932) are wanting.

The account of the divisions into which the work is divided, given at the beginning of the copy, is erroneous and confusing.

The copy, written in fair Nasta'liq, is full of clerical errors. Spaces for headings have been left blank in several places. The name of the scribe اثير الدين بوهاري is found at the end of Qism 11, fol. 2376.

Not dated, apparently 19th century. The MS, is slightly damaged.

No. 10. (Turkish).

foll. 90; lines 15-30; size 112×8; 8×4.

" تقويم النواريخ TAQWİM-UT-TAWARİKH.

A very neat copy of the Turkish original of the famous chronological tables composed in A.H. 1058—A.D. 1648, by Mustafa b. 'Abd Ullah, better known as Hāji Khalifah مصطفى بن عبد الله the author of the well-known work Kashf-uz-Zunun, who died in A.H. 1068—A.D. 1657.

Beginning:معد و ثقا و شمر بی انتها اول مبداد اول جل و علایه .

The Turkish preface is preceded by a short preamble in Persian. The work has been printed in Constantinople, A.H. 1146. A Persian translation of the work is noticed in Rieu, i, p. 137.

Contents:—
Preface and introduction treating of the various eras, fol. 1^b.
Chronological tables for the period extending from Adam to the Hijrah, fol. 9^b.

Chronological tables from the first year of the Hijrah to A.H. 1045, foll. 204-73b.

Each page is divided into ten columns.

Foll, 74 and 75 blank,

The above is followed by tables of dynasties, viz. 25 (in Rieu, Turkish Cat., loc. cit., 26) anterior to Islamism and 109 (in Rieu, ib., 110) posterior to it, foll. 76a-80b.

Tables of the Osmanli Sultans of the grand Wazirs, Qadi-Askers, tutors of the Sultans and Qadis of Constantinople, foll. 81a-89b. These are arranged in five or six columns, which show the name of each dynasty, the number of its sovereigns, its seat, the dates of its rise and of its extinction, and lastly, its duration.

The Khatimah begins on fol 90c.

Written in a learned Ta'liq within red-ruled borders on good thick paper.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

The additions of numerous historical notes written in Turki, which are found on the margins throughout the copy, the corrections and emendations in several places, and the learned hand in which the copy is written, tend to suggest that the MS. is an autograph of the learned author.

No. 11.

foll. 291; lines 31; size 154 x 84; 114 x 54.

موات العالم MIR'AT-UL-'ALAM.

A very useful and trustworthy compendium of eastern history from the earliest times to the reign of Aurangzib, compiled in A.H. 1078 — A.D. 1667.

Beginning:-

The work is usually ascribed to Muhammad Bakhtawar Khan (d. A.H. 1096 — A.D. 1685), who in the preface to the work claims the authorship for himself, while the real author is Muhammad Baqa of Saharanpur معمد بنا بارنیوری (d. A.H. 1094 — A.D. 1683), a friend of Bakhtawar Khan. For a discussion of this controversial point see Bankipur Lib Cat. No. 477.

The work is divided into an introduction, seven sections, called أرايش, each sub-divided into several chapters called نعايش and one appendix, termed انزايش, and a conclusion or خاند. A very full table of contents, occupying foll 2a-4a, is given in the beginning of the work.

Written in a fair Nasta'liq with the headings in red. The

last four folios have been placed in new margins.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 12.

foll. 311; lines 13; size 104 × 84; 84 × 6. منتخبات مرات العالم و طبقات اكبري

MUNTAKHABÂT-I-MIR'ÂT-UL-'ĀLAM WA ŢABAQÂT-I-AKBARÎ.

Extracts from the Mir'at-ul-'Alam (noticed above) and the

Tabaqat-i-Akbari.

Foll. 10-1010. Extracts from the seventh book of the Mir'atul-'Alam containing the biographies of the saints and 'Ulama' from the time of Akbar to the reign of 'Alamgir and of the celebrated caligraphists from Ibn-i-Maqlah to the author's time. The Khâtimah containing notices of Persian poets (arranged in alphabetical order), begins on fol. 570.

Beginning:-

پیرایش سوم مشتملبر دو نمود و یک افزایش - نمود اول در ذکر مشایع کرام این عهد فرخی مهد .

Foll. 1016-1046 blank.

Foll. 105a-131b. Extracts from the Tabaqât-i-Akbari, a general history of India from the Muhammadan conquest to the end of the 38th year of Akbar's reign, by Nizâm-ud-Dîn Ahmad bin Muhammad Muqim-ul-Harawi نظام الدين احمد بن محمد عقيم الهرزي (d. A.H. 1003 = A.D. 1594). This is an extract of the concluding portion of the first Tabaqah of the Tabaqât-i-Akbari, containing biographical notices of the nobles, learned men and poets of Akbar's time.

Beginning:-

پوشیدة نماند که چون از احوال خیر مال حضرت خلیفهٔ الٰهی قراغ دست داد ...

Foll 1329-1355 blank.

Foll. 136s-311b. Extract from the sixth book of the Mir'atul-'Alam, containing the history of Babur, Humayûn, Akbar, Jahangir and Shah Jahan.

Beginning:-

آرایش ششم در ذکر پادشاهان عظیم الشان گورگانیه که گلزار همیشه بهار هقدرستان را از خس و خاشاک وجود کفار پرداخته .

This interesting copy, containing the most valuable extracts from the above-named works, is full of learned and useful notes and annotations. These, in most cases, are followed by references to the A'in-i-Akbari. For instance, regarding the poet الفتى, on fol. 133°, we find the following remark in the margin: - "Who is

this ? V. my note to No. 42, A.A. p. 223."

From the above facts as well as from handwriting, with which I am quite familiar, it is evident that the author of these valuable notes is no less a person than the famous orientalist H. Blochmann, the translator of the A'in-i-Akbari. On fol. 16 (margin) Mr. Blochmann remarks thus: "This extract of the Mir'at-ul-'Alam by Bakhtawar Khan contains the most valuable portion of the work, viz. Biographies of holy and learned men, from the time of Akbar, and of celebrated calligraphists; a narration of remarkable events, and a notice of the labour of the author. The Khatimah contains Biographies of poets, alphabatically arranged."

Written in fair Indian Ta'liq with the headings in red.

copy was most probably written for Mr. Blochmann,

No. 13.

foll. 571; lines 23; size 111 × 7; 8 × 41.

مواءت جهان نما

MIR'AT-I-JAHAN-NUMA

A correct and old copy of the Mir'at-i-Jahan-Numa or general history of the world, compiled under Aurangzib before A.H. 1094 - A D. 1682. It is an enlarged recension of the Mir'at-ul-'Alam (see No. 11), which is due, like the shorter work, to the authorship of Muhammad Baqā and not to Bakhtāwar Khân. It was edited after the author's death by his sister's son Muhammad Shafi', A.H. 1095 - A.D. 1683, regarding which question see the Bankipur Lib. Cat. No. 477.

Beginning:-

زينت چهرة شاهد كلام مجلى محامد ملك علام الني .

The work is divided into a Muqaddimah, seven Payra'ish each subdivided into several Numa'ish, and a Khatimah. A detailed index of the contents with reference to the pages comprises foll. 35-5c.

Written in a learned and fair Nasta liq within red-ruled borders. The date of transcription in the colophon is hopelessly damaged; but the name of the scribe, as far as the mutilation allows us to decipher it, reads عبد النبي سيد فيروز سهارليوري. The copy was apparently prepared in the beginning of the 18th century.

A note on the fly-leaf is dated A.H. 1134.

A seal of Bakhshi-ul-Mulk Sayf-ud-Daulah Najaf Quli Khan Bahadur Muzaffar Jang, dated A.H. 1191, is found on the fly-leaf

Jose

at the beginning of the copy. Marginal notes, written mostly in red, are occasional.

No. 14.

foll. 240; lines 15-19; size 91 × 51; 8×4.

(تاریخ عام) (TÂRÎKH-I-'ÂM).

An incomplete copy of a general history of the world from the earliest times to A.H. 1134 — A.D. 1721. It is defective at the beginning and opens abruptly thus:—

علامي شيم ابو الفضل در شكرف نامه ميغويسد كه مشهور چنانست .

The work contains for the most part mere selections of interesting accounts and anecdotes from other histories without any originality. The latter portion of the work dealing with Indian affairs is comparatively more extensive. The work begins with Adam and ends with an account of the death of Sayyid 'Abd Ullah Khan, A.H. 1134. It concludes with an enumeration of the names of the Rajahs and kings who ruled in India with the dates of their birth, accession and death, commencing with Rajah Judishter and ending with Aurangzib, d. A.H. 1118 — A.D. 1706.

Written in careless Indian Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

(2) History of Creeds and Sects. No. 15.

foll. 424; lines 17; size $91 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; 61×3 .

توفيح الملل TAUDÎH-UL-MILAL

A Persian translation of Abul Fath Muhammad bin Abul Qasim 'Adb-ul-Karim Shahrastani's (d. A.H. 548 — A.D. 1153) well known Arabic work on religious and philosophical creeds, styled كتاب البلال , by Mustafa bin Shaykh Khaliqdad ul-Hashimi ul-'Abbasi و النصل , who wrote it by order of Jahangir in A.H. 1021 — A.D. 1612.

Beginning:-

حمدى كه لمعات اشعة انوار أن تيركي اعتقاد الغ .

A copy of the oldest Persian translation by Afdal bin Sadr Tarikah of Isfahan, completed A.H. 843 — A.D. 1439 and dedicated to Sultan Shah Rukh, is noticed in the India Office Lib. Catalogue No. 2541.

A full abstract of the table of contents (foll. 16-116) is given

at the beginning of the copy.

The date of transcription is illegible, but apparently the copy was written in the beginning of the 17th century. Several seals of kings of Oudh are found at the beginning and the end.

Written in a clear Nasta'liq within coloured ruled borders.

(3) History of the Prophets, Muhammad, Khalifs and the Imams.

No. 16.

foll. 407; lines 17; size 10×61; 7×31.

فتوح ابن امثم

FUTUH-I-IBN-I-A'SAM.

A Persian translation of Khwajah Abu Muhammad Ahmad bin A'sam ul-Kufi's (d. about A.H. 314—A.D. 926) Arabic work Futüb, or history of Islâm from Muhammad's death to the death of Hasan and Husayn and the accession of Yazid in A.H. 60—A.D. 680.

Beginning:-- القديم المغان الكريم الرؤف الرحيم التي •

The translation was undertaken about A.H. 596 — A.D. 1199 by Muhammad bin Ahmad ul-Mustaufi ul-Harawi محمد بن أحمد who died after finishing only a small portion of the work, viz. the greater part of the history of Abû Bakr. It was continued and finished by Muhammad bin Ahmad bin Abi Bakr ul-Kātib ul-Mābarnābādī, محمد بن أحمد بن أبي بكر الكانب الدارزايادي

Written in a clear Nast'aliq within gold and coloured ruled borders, with a frontispiece and an illuminated 'Unwan.

The MS, is worm-eaten and in most places pasted over with thick patches. Dated Muharram, A.H. 1074.

Seribe محمد هاشم ولد محمد شریف کجرانی. Several seals of the later kings of Oudh are found on fol. 10.

No. 17.

foll. 378; lines 17; size $9 \times 4\frac{\pi}{4}$; $6\frac{\pi}{4} \times 3$.

ترجبة مولود النبي

TARJUMAH-I-MAULUD-UN-NABI.

A Persian translation of Sa'id bin Mas'ūd-ul-Kāzarūni's history of Muḥammad, by 'Afif bin Sa'id bin Mas'ūd-ul-Kāzarūni معيف بن معود الكاذروني who finished the work in A.H. 760 — A.D. 1358.

Beginning:-

و به نستعین - حمد و سپاس بیقیاس خدایرا که نور محمد صلی الله علیه و سلم پیش از همه چیز آفرید .

Again Haj. Khal, in several places hopelessly confuses the original Arabic and the present translation and their respective authors. A detailed discussion of the various conflicting statements will be found in the Bankipur Lib. Cat. No. 484, where a very old copy of the work dated A.H. 841, with a full description of its contents, is noticed.

The work is divided into four sections, called Qism and a Khatimah, as follows:—

I.—Creation of the Prophetic Light, down to the birth of Muhammad, fol. 9^b.

II.-From his birth to his mission, fol. 56a.

III. Events which took place after the Prophetic mission during his stay at Mecca, fol. 86^b.

IV.—Events which took place during the period of his flight, fol. 137°.

Khātimah.—On the merit and rewards attached to the act of showing respect to the Prophet and praying for him, fol. 333°.

Written in Nim-Shikastah with the headings in red. Foll. 1a-3b have been supplied in a later hand. The lower halves of foll. 377a and 377b are wanting.

Dated Thursday the 17th of Dul Hijjah, A.H. 1173.

.ببوانی سنگهد-: Scribe

No. 18.

foll. 164; lines 9; size 83 × 5; 6 × 3.

مناقب المادات

MANÂQIB-US-SADAT.

A work dealing with the praises, merits, qualities and prerogatives of the descendants of the Prophet, by Shihâb-ud-Dîn Daulatâbâdî شهاب الدين دولت آبادي who died in A.H. 848 or 849 — A.D. 1444 or 1445.

Beginning on fol. 5b:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين اما بعد بدانكه بقدة درگاه نبوي و خويدم (خادم) بارگاه مصطفوي النم .

Two biographical notices of the author, one taken from the Akhbar-ul-Akhyar of 'Abd-ul-Ḥaqq Dihlawi and the other from the مبحة البجال of Gulam 'Ali Azad, are given at the beginning of the copy.

The work is divided into ten chapters enumerated in the be-

ginning

According to the colophon the copy was written for the donor of this Library Maulavi Sadr-ud-Din by Hasib-ud-Din, and completed on Friday, the 22nd of November, 1889. Another note in the handwriting of the donor says that the MS, was corrected and collated by the above-named Hasib-ud-Din and Maulavi Khadim Husayn on the 1st of Rabi II, A.H. 1307.

Written in fair bold Nasta'liq.

No. 19.

foll. 603; lines 21; size 181 × 12; 13 × 8.

روضة الاحباب

RAUDAT-UL-AHBÂB.

A very comprehensive history of Muḥammad, his family, companions, followers and successors, by Amîr 'Aţâ Ullah bin Faḍl Ullah Jamâl ul-Ḥusaynî (d. A.H. 926 — A.D. 1520) امير عطاء الله بن completed in A.H. 900 — A.D. 1494 and dedicated to Mir 'Ali Shir.

Beginning :-- التحمد لله الذي من على المؤمنين اذ بعث التي

The entire work is divided into three books, called Maqsads.
Maqsad I.—History of Muhammad and his exploits, fol. 2^b.
Maqsad II.—History of the first three caliphs, fol. 251^a.
Maqsad III.—History of 'Ali, the twelve Imams and all the other famous followers of the Prophet, fol. 385^b.

Each Maqsad begins with a short preface. A detailed index of the whole contents with reference to pages occupies not less than six folios at the beginning of the copy. A colophon at the end of the first book (fol. 250b) says that this part of the MS. was copied in Shawwal 12, A.H. 1281, by Astr-ud-Din of Bühar and collated by Hasib ud-Din Ahmad, 20th Rabit II, A.H. 1283. This portion is written in a good Nasta'liq. We also learn from this colophon that the second Maqsad, which is written in a fair Nasta'liq, was collated before the first in A.H. 1282. The third Maqsad is written in a rough Nasta'liq. Corrections and marginal notes are found throughout the copy.

No. 20.

foll. 233 (pp. 465); lines 25; size 17×10‡; 12‡×6‡.

THE SAME.

Another complete and very neat copy of the Raudat-ul-Ahbâb, written in a beautiful minute Nasta'liq. The colophon of the first Maqṣad is dated A.H. 1294.

. حسيب الدين احمد -: Scribe

No. 21.

foll. 543; lines 21; size 11×6; 8×41.

THE SAME.

A beautiful and exceedingly valuable copy of the first Maqsad of the Raudat-ul-Abbab. The MS, has been very carefully collated and seems to be a very correct on. Three notes (portions of which have been unfortunately torn away) at the end of the copy, written in the same hand as the text itself, fully testify to the correctness of the MS, and mention various reliable sources which formed the basis of its transcription as follows:—

صورة ما في امل النحة

و اتفق المام كَذِائِة هندالكِتَابِ الشَّرِيفِ و الجِمعِ المعتبرِ اللطيفِ مَن كِتَابِ كَتَنِهُ الْأَمِيرِ المحقق المدقق الدَّاصِ الشريعة الماضي للطريقة أبو المفاخر نسيم الدين محمد بن جمال الدين الحسيفي المشتهر بميرك شاة احسن الله تعالى عقباة كما احسن اليه في دنياة و حصل له ما يتمناة في شهر جمادي الآخر منه ابع و خمسين و تسعماية من الهجرة النبوية عليه افضل والتحية من رب البرية و صل اللَّهُ مَّ على اله الطيبين و عترته الائمة الاثنى العشر الهابين المهدين المعصومين اليهم و المحبين لهم بالصدق و اليقين أمين يا رب العالمين .

وايضا في اصل النسطة

كتب على ظهر الاصل الذي نقلت هذ الدفتر منه اتمام مقابلته و تصحيحه بقدر الوسع و المكان و سيق القلم البصر مرفوعان في أواخر شهر جمادس الخر من هذه السنة المذكورة عدرا مع نسخه كتبه الامير الكبير المحقق المدقق الفاصر للشريعة الهادي للطريقة نظام الدين ميرك شاه بن جمال الدين المحدث الحصيفي و الحمد لله أولا و آخرا ظاهرا و باطفا و على خير خلفه و مظهر لطفه محمد و آله اجمعين ه

وايضافي امل النسخة

بدائكه ابن نسخه نقل كردة شد از نسخة مرحومي شيم معين الدين كه ايشان آن نسخه را از نسخة ميركشاء محدث نقل كردة بودند و بان تصحيم نمودة بودند كمال تصحيم جنائكه تصحيم محدثين مي باشد رحمما الله رحمه واسعه -

Written in a beautiful bold Naskh within gold-ruled borders with a finely illuminated head-piece and a double-page 'Unwan. The headings are written in red. Not dated, apparently 17th century.

Additions, emendations and valuable notes are found through-

out the copy.

A note at the beginning of the copy says that this copy with several other books, sold after the death of Mr. Charles, District Judge, Rajshahi, by order of the Commissioner of that district, was bought in a public sale held in the civil court of the same district, for Rs. 52 (fifty-two rupees)—the price of this copy alone being Rs. 32 (thirty-two rupees).

No. 22.

foll. 351; lines 17; size 111×8 ; 9×5

منتخب روضة الاحباب

MUNTAKHAB-I-RAUDAT-UL-AHBAB.

A very good copy of an abridgment of the preceding work Raudat-ul-Ahbáb.

Beginning:-

گلچینی از روضة الحباب رب یسر و تم بالخیر بمنه و کرمه - سخی در ابتدای خلات .

The author of this abridgment, who does not give his name, strictly follows the usual divisions of the original: Book I, fol 16; Bk. II, fol. 2666; Bk. III, fol. 341c.

A colophon at the end of Bk. I (fol. 2655) says that the MS.

was completed in A.H. 1045.

Written in a very learned and clear Nasta'liq hand with the headings in red.

No. 23.

foll, 479; lines 25; size 161×10 ; 121×7 .

معارج النبوة MA'ĀRIJ-UN-NUBŪWAT.

The well-known history of the Prophet Muhammad by Khwajah Mu'in-ud-Din bin Haji Muhammad-ul-Farahi, better known as Mulla Mu'in Miskin معين الدين بن حاجي متعمد الغراهي who died in A.H. 907 = A.D. 1501.

Beginning:-

The work is divided into an introduction, four books and a Khātimah.

Printed in Lucknow, A.H. 1293. A Turkish translation, under the title دائل نبوت محمدي, appeared in Constantinople, A.H. 1257.

Written in a fair Indian Nasta'liq with the headings in red Marginal notes and corrections are found throughout the copy. The colophon says that the transcription was finished in Rajab, A.H. 1282, by Shaykh Aşir-ud-Din bin Maulawi Mişbâh-ud-Din of Bûhâr and compared with the original, 12th Dulqa'd, A.H. 1284, by Maulawi Hasib-ud-Din and Sayyid Sa'âdat Husayn of Bûhâr, under the supervision of Maulawi Sayyid Sadr-ud-Din Ahmad (the donor of this library) son of Sayyid Karim-ud-Din Ahmad-ul-Husaynî of Bûhâr.

No. 24.

foll. 155; lines 19; size 91×61; 7×31

تاريخ موسوي TÂRÎKH-I-MÛSAWÎ.

A detailed history of the Prophet Moses by the same Mu'in bin Hâjî Muhammad-ul-Farâhl, (d. A.H. 907 — A.D. 1501) معين whose well-known work the Ma'ârij-un-Nubûwat (mentioned here, fol. 3°, among his previous compositions) has already been noticed (No. 23).

Beginning like the preceding work :-

This work, also called موسوية موسوية and معجزات موسوي and معجزات موسوي , was finished in A.H. 904 — A.D. 1498.

In the preface the author says that he compiled this work after thirty-five years' researches.

On the fly-leaf the work is called . Some folios are misplaced at the beginning of the copy. The right order should be 1, 3, 4; 2, 7, 5, 6, 8.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'llq.

Not dated, apparently 13th century A.H.

No. 25.

foll. 354; lines 17; size 9½×6; 7×3½.

روضة الشهدا

RAUDAT-USH-SHUHADA.

A detailed history of the martyrdom of 'Ali and his family especially of Hasan and Husayn, composed by Husayn Wa'iz Kashifi (d. A.H. 910 — A D. 1505) معنى واعظ كاه في المعالى the author of the well-known work Anwar-i-Suhayli.

The work has been printed in Lahore, A.H. 1287.

Beginning: -الى شوبت دود تو دوايي دل ما • و اشوب بالني تو عطلي دل ما

It is divided into ten Bâbs and a Khâtimah.

Written in a neat Indian Ta'liq by order of the donor Maulawi
Sadr-ud-Din.

Dated 13th Jumadi, A.H. 1290. Scribe:—Hasib-ud-Din Ahmad.

No. 26.

foll. 138; lines 18; size 9×6; 6×4.

روفة الاصحاب

RAUDAT-UL-ASHAB.

A rare copy of the history of the early caliphs, chiefly treating of their merits, qualities and distinctions, composed in A.H. 944 — A.D. 1537, by Wahid-ud-Din Muhammad better known as Mir Khan, son of Zayn-ud-Din اوحيد الدبن متعمد مشهور بعير خان ابن زبن الجامى السفونابادى (١٤).

Beginning:-

In the preface the author says that in A.H. 907—A.D. 1501 there arose in Bagdad a body of men who abused the Ashab and persecuted the Sunnis and ill-treated them in various ways. This trouble, says the author, continued for several years and extended to Khurasan, when he, with the object of making them acquainted with the true beauties of Sunnism, composed the present work.

It is divided into a Muqaddimah, four Sections and a Khatimah.

Muqaddimah.—The meaning of Ashab, fol. 3a.

Section I.—Abû Bakr, fol. 11c.

.. II.—'Umar, fol. 405. ... III.—'Uşmân, fol. 76°. IV.—'Ali, fol. 97°.

In the Khatimah the author praises the Sunnis and depreciates the Shi'ah community.

Written in careless Nasta'liq.

Dated Tuesday, the 30th of Dul Hijjah (year not given), apparently 18th century.

مَالِياً زِبنِ الدِينِ الحافي كه در فهد همابون بورة-: A note on the margin says

No. 27.

foll, 320; lines 19; size 111 × 71; 81 × 5;

لوامع الانواز LAWAMI:-UL-ANWÂR.

A rare and valuable copy of a history of Muhammad and the twelve Imams.

Beginning:-

حدد خالقي كه مسبحان ملا اعلى بل مقرب قاب قوسين او ادنئ .

In the preface the author, who calls himself 'Ali bin Husayn Zawwāri على الماريخي , says that the present work is a translation from the Ahsan-ul-Kibār of Muḥammad bin Abi Zayd bin 'Arab Shāh bin Abī Zayd bin Aḥmad bin Husayn bin 'Abd l'llah ul-Husayni (cf. fol. 320a), made by order of Shāh Tahmāsp Ṣafawi (A.H. 930-984 — A.D. 1523-1576) in A.H. 950 — A.D. 1543. It is also said (fol. 2b) that the translation contains many additions and alterations which are not found in the original, and that it is free from superfluous and unreliable accounts.

It is divided into a Muqaddimah, 14 Babs and a Khatimah.

Of the 14 Babs, the first three deal with the history of Muhammad, 'Ali (the first Imam) and Fatimah, beginning respectively on foll. 35s, 65b and 198b.

The remaining eleven chapters, devoted to the history of the rest of the Imams, begin respectively on foll. 2045, 216a, 240a, 247b, 256b, 267a, 274a, 281b, 286a, 290b and 294a.

The Khatimah treating of the prerogatives of 'Ali and an account of the death of محمد بن ابي بكر begins on fol. 3136.

The author of the Raudat-ul-Jannat, p. 407, deals at some length with the author and his works.

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq within coloured ruled borders.

The headings are written in red throughout.

Dated Jumidi I, A.H. 1244.

No. 28.

foll. 344; lines 15; size 12×71; 81×4.

مفاقب مرتضوي

MANAQIB-I-MURTADAWI.

A panegyric on 'Ali, the fourth Khalifah, dealing with his virtues and qualities; his holiness, munificence, valour and accomplishments; his accession to the Khilafat and his death, by Mir Muhammad Salih ul-Husayni ul-Tirmidi, with the takhallus Kashfi مير محمد عالم التحميني الترمني المتخلص بكشفي who died in A.H. 1061 — A.D. 1650. His father Mir 'Abd Ullah Tirmidi, poetically called Wasfi, was one of the most distinguished calligraphers of Akbar and a poet of no mean distinction.

Beginning:-

The work is divided into twelve chapters, and a detailed account of the contents is given in the beginning.

Written in legible Indian Ta'liq. The Arabic texts, frequently quoted, are written in large Naskh with vowels.

Dated 18th Rabi' II, A.H. 1277.

In an endorsement on fol. 1" the work is called کتاب سر الاکبر

The names of the scribe and of the person for whom the copy was written are not found anywhere in the copy, although the colophon tells us that they have been given at the beginning. Two seals on fol. 1a have been rubbed out by some mischievous hand.

No. 29.

foll. 319; lines 21; size $11\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{4}$; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$.

چلاء العيون

JALA-'UL-'UYÛN.

A Shi'ah history and biography of Muhammad, 'Ali, Fâṭīmah and the twelve Imāms by the celebrated Muhammad Bâqir bin Muhammad Taqi محمد باقر بي محمد الله who completed this work in A H. 1089 — A.D. 1678 and died in A.H. 1110 — A.D. 1698.

Beginning:-

مقایش بی مثل و انهاز سزاوار خداوند بی نیاز است .

The work is divided into a Muqaddimah and twelve chapters. The Contents have been fully described in Rieu. i, p. 154.

Written in careless Indian Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

محمد رضا ابن ارشد على خان مرحوم -: Scribe

No. 30.

foll. 345; lines 25; size $12\frac{1}{4} \times 8$; $10 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$.

احسن السيو AHSAN-US-SIYAR.

A very rare copy of the history of the prophets, the Khalifs and the Imams, composed in A.H. 1114 = A.D. 1702. Beginning:

عذوان معيفة اطايف اخبار انبياء عظاء وفهرست مجموعة شرايف آثار اصفياً، كراء ،

The author, who calls himself on fol. 35 Muhammad, surnamed Kazim, محمد المدعو بكاظم, seems to be identical with the author of the Faralı Nâmah-i-Fâțimî, mentioned in Rieu, p. 708, where he gives his name as Hadiq, and refers to the present work as one of his compositions. In the preface to the present work he highly eulogises the Amir Sipahdar Khan Bahadur, son of 'Alamgir's" foster-brother Khan-i-Jahan Bahadur.

The work is divided into a Muqaddimah and five Rukns, as

follows:--

Muqaddimah.—Creation of the world; the genii (Bani Jan),

Rukn I.—History of the prophets from Adam to 'Isa, fol. 5b. Rukn II.—History of Muhammad from his birth to his flight, fol. 40b.

Rukn III.—From his flight to his death, fol. 94^b. Rukn IV.—The Khalifs, fol. 179^b.

Rukn V.—The Imams, fol. 254b.

Each section begins with a preface. Written in a fair Nasta'liq with the headings in red. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 31.

foll. 211; lines 25; size 11×7; 83×41.

THE SAME.

Another copy of the Ahsan-us-Siyar written in fair Nasta'liq within coloured ruled borders.

The lower halves of the first eight folios have been very clumsily replaced by blank sheets. Several patches of thick papers are also found at the beginning of the copy. The headings are written in red throughout.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 32.

foll. 95; lines 23; size 121×8; 91×51.

توجمة الاسوار

TARJUMAT-UL-ASRAR

A history of Muhammad and the early Khalifs with an account of the Caliphate of Imam Hasan and Mu'awiyah. It also contains the dates of birth and death and duration of life of the Khalifs, the twelve Imams, the fourteen Ma'sums and several other venerable persons, such as Hamzah, 'Abbas, the Ashab-i-Kahaf, etc., and a description of their places of interment. There is a special chapter treating of the religious duties and observances of Islamism, and of eschatology.

بندهٔ کمترین The name of the author is indistinctly written as

. هيچمدان بن عباد الله الصد كمال الله مصد پير صديقي انار الله برهانه

The author, who in some of his verses calls himself كمال الله , says that he wrote this work in A.H. 1185 — A.D 1771.

Beginning:-

التحمد الله رب العالمين و العاقبة للمتقين و السلام على روح مقدس و قالب مطهر سرور البيا ه

The work is divided into 25 sections called into 25, the contents of which are fully stated at the beginning.

Written in Indian Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 33.

foll. 95 (pp. 189); lines 13-17; size 10\(\frac{1}{4} \times 7\(\frac{1}{4}\); 8\times 4\(\frac{1}{2}\).

معادت الكونين

SA'ADAT-UL-KAUNAYN.

A legendary account of the death of Hasan, Husayn and the martyrs of Karbala, by Mufti Ikram-ud-Din مغني أكرام الدين the great grandson of the celebrated 'Abd-ul-Haqq Dihlawi, composed A.H. 1220 — A.D. 1805, for which year the words رباض الحسنين form a chronogram.

Beginning:-

التعمد الله الذي شرف التعسن و التعسين على ساير الخلايق .

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 34.

foll. 398; lines 19; size 9\$×7; 7\$×4\$.

بهجة المباهج

BAHJAT-UL-MABAHIJ.

A rare, old and valuable copy of a history of Muḥammad, 'Ali, and their descendants, especially dealing with their miracles, by Abû Sa'id (or Abul Faḍl Kamal-ud-Din, on fol. 14) Hasan bin Husayn Shi'i Sabzwāri بر معید حسن ابن حسین شیعی مبزراری

The author and the work are mentioned among the sources of the Zinat-ul-Majālis composed in A.H. 1004 — A.D. 1595. See Rieu H, p. 758. See also Kashf-ul-Hujub, p. 89.

According to the preface the work is an abridgment of Qutbud-Din Muhammad bin ul-Husayn ul-Kidari's

It is divided into forty-five chapters called Fasls. A detailed index of the contents with reference to pages is given on the flyleaf. Written in good Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated frontispiece.

حافظ محمد باقر الشريف : Seribe

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

The seals (several in number) on the fly-leaf have been effaced by some mischievous hand.

No. 35.

foll. 69; lines 11; size 121 x 81; 9 x 51.

DAH MAJLIS.

A legendary account of the death of Muhammad, Fatimah,

'Ali, Hasan, and the martyrs of Karbala.

According to Stewart, p. 23, and Ethé, Bodl. Lib. Cat. No. 136, it is an extract from the Raudat-ush-Shuhadā of Husayn Wā'iz Kāshifi (noticed above), or rather an abridgment of the original work. The present copy exactly agrees with the one mentioned in Rieu I, p. 155^b.

Beginning:

باز این چه شورش است که در اهل عالم است .

Each of the ten "sittings" () into which the work is divided, is followed by an elegy (in abstract form) of the celebrated Muḥtashim Kāshī. They are severally devoted to the following persons:

Muhammad, fol. 2^a; 2. Fāṭimah, fol. 10^a; 3. 'Ali, fol.17^a;
 Hasan, fol. 25^a; 5. Muslim bin Aqil, fol. 34^a; 6. The children of Muslim, fol. 40^a; 7. Hurr bin Yazid, fol. 46^a, 8. Qāsim, fol. 50^a; 9 'Abbās and 'Ali Akbar, fol. 55^a; 10. Husayn and 'Ali Asgar, fol. 59^a. The Arabic prayer including the names of the twelve Imāms, mentioned in Rieu (loc. cit.), is wanting here.

Written in beautiful bold Nasta'liq within gold and coloured

ruled borders on good thick paper. A beautiful copy.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 36.

foll. 219; lines 17; size 8†×4‡; 7‡×3.

مجمع المناقب MAJMA'-UL-MANÂQIB.

A history of the Prophet Muḥammad, 'Ali and the Imāma, by 'Ali bin Ja'far Isfahāni على بن جعفر اصفهاني Beginning:

حدد و سپلس بیرون از وهم و قیاس مر مالک العلدی وا سزا ست .

The author composed this work in India at the age of fifty. He quotes several works as his sources, the best known of which is the Habib-us-Siyar (composed, A.H. 930 — A.D. 1523).

The work is not divided into any definite chapters and

sections.

The writing in many places is obliterated.

Written in Indian Ta'liq.

Not dated apparently 18th century.

No. 37.

foll. 307; lines 12; size 8×6; 51×31.

THE SAME.

Another copy of the same Majma'-ul-Manaqib written in ordinary Ta'liq.

Dated Calcutta, 16th of Jamadi II, A.H. 1274.

No. 38.

foll. 199; lines 15; size 7×4; 5×2½.

مقامد الاوليا في محاسن الانبيا

MAQASID-UL-AULIYA FÎ MAHASIN-UL-ANBIYA.

A rare and valuable history of the prophets with a short account of the early Khalifs, by Mahmud b. Ahmad bin Hasan Faryabi محمود بن أحمد بن حسن فاريابي

Beginning:-

سهاس و ستایش سر خداوندی را که یاقوت قوت ناطقه را در اطراف اسان انسان ودیعت نهاد .

The name of the author and the title of the work are mentioned in Rieu III, p. 1030s.

The work is written in a learned style and is based on the

Quran, Hadis and other trustworthy authorities.

Contents:—Creation, fol. 3a; Adam, fol. 5a; Shis, fol. 12a; Idris, fol. 12b; Nûh, fol. 14a; Hûd, fol. 19a; Salih, fol. 20b; Ibrahim, fol. 22b; Lût, fol. 32a; Ya'qûb, fol. 34a; Yûsuf, fol. 35b; Ayyûb, fol. 59a; Shu'ayb, fol. 62a; Mûsâ, fol. 63a; Khidr, fol. 93a; Yûsha, fol. 96b; Ilyâs, fol. 97a; Alyasa; fol. 98b; Dilkati, fol. 99b; Ishmûil,

fol. 101°; Då'ûd, fol. 102°; Luqman, fol. 108°; Sulayman, fol. 109°, Dul Qarnayn, fol. 122°; Yûnus, fol. 125°; Ashab-ul-Kahf, fol. 128°; 'Uzayr, fol. 139°; Zakarîya, fol. 142°; Yahya, fol. 145°; Maryam, the daughter of 'Imran, fol. 146°; 'Isa, fol. 148°; Muhammad, fol. 160°; Mi'raj, fol. 169°; Hijrat, fol. 174°; Battle of Badr, fol. 177°; Death of Muhammad (begins without any heading), fol. 191° (line 2); Abû Bakr, fol. 195°; 'Umar, fol. 195°; 'Usman, fol. 196°; 'Ali, fol. 197°.

The MS, ends with a Khatimah (conclusion) bearing an enumeration of the names of the Khalifs of the Umayyade and

Abbaside dynasties.

This valuable copy contains corrections and useful explanatory notes throughout. Some of the marginal notes have been cut off by the foolish binder. The notes and seals (which were indeed valuable) on the fly-leaves of the copy have been effaced by some mischievous hand.

Written in clear Nasta'liq within coloured ruled borders. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 39.

foll. 235; lines 17; size 12×81; 9×5.

تذكوة المعصومين

TADKIRAT-UL-MA'SUMIN.

A rare copy of the history of Muhammad, the twelve Imams and the fourteen martyrs of Karbala, by Muhammad Nadir.

Beginning :-

حمد و تفلى فراوان و ستايش و فيايش بي پايل مر آن قادريگانه را .

No particulars of the author and the date of composition of the work are given in the text, but among the numerous authorities quoted by the author as his sources we find a reference to the Takmil-ul-Iman of 'Abd-ul-Haqq Dihlawi (fol. 185b), who died in A.H. 1052—A.D. 1642. This enables us to say that the work was composed in or after the eleventh century of the Hijrah.

The work is divided into fifteen chapters, most of which are subdivided into sections. The actual history is preceded by an

account of the trials of some of the prophets, viz :-

Adam, fol. 1b; Núh, fol. 3b; Ibráhim Khalil, fol. 5a; Ya'qūb and Yūsuf, fol. 7a; Yūnus, fol. 11a; Ayyūb, fol. 12b; Yahyā and Dakariyā, fol. 13b; Mūsā, fol. 15b.

Chapter 1. Muhammad, fol. 22°; 2. Fāṭimab, fol. 47°; 3. 'Ali,

fol. 54°; 4. Hasan, fol. 75°; 5. Husayn, fol. 84°; 6. Zayn-ul-'Abidin, fol. 189°; 7. Muhammad Bäqir, fol. 192°; (here the name of Ja'far-i-Sådiq is wrongly substituted for Muhammad Båqir); 8. Ja'far-i-Sådiq, fol. 194°; 9. Mûsâ al-Kāzim, fol. 200°; 10. 'Ali Ridâ, fol. 209°; 11. Muhammad Taqi, fol. 219°; 12 'Ali Naqi, fol. 224°; 13. Hasan 'Askari, fol. 226°; 14. Muhammad Mahdi, fol. 229°; 15. Fourteen martyrs of Karbalà, fol. 235°.

The chapters with the subjects treated in each are enumerated

in the preface, but chapter 10 is omitted by mistake.

The date of transcription given in the colophon is Tuesday, the 3rd of Ramadan. The year is omitted, apparenty 19th century. Written in a fair Indian Ta'liq.

No. 40.

foll, 207; lines 15; size $8\frac{5}{4} \times 5\frac{5}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$

مطالع الانوار

MATALI-UL-ANWAR.

A special history of Muhammad, to which the author adds, at the end, a chapter on the early Caliphs, on the Caliphate of Ma'awiyah and other Caliphs of the Umayyade line, and lastly on eschatology.

Beginning :-

التحمد الله رب العالمين و العاقبة للمتقين و لا عدول الا (على)

الظالمين .

عفیف بن The name of the author as given in this copy is عفیف بن عفیف while in Ethé, Bodl. Lib. Cat. No. 141, he is called عقیقه while in Ethé, Bodl. Lib. Cat. No. 141, he is called تمید النعوفت - لخبار The author quotes as his sources . نور کاشانی تمید النعوفت - تصم واقدی - ثعلبی - کشاف - مصابیم - مشارق etc.

The work is divided into 21 sections (Fasls) the contents of which are stated on foll. 3s-3b.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq.

Dated 1st Rajab, A.H. 1238.

سيد مظفر على دهلسري من متعلقات ضلع بردوان-: Scribe-

The history is followed by a short treatise containing biographical notices of ancient philosophers comprising foll. 1935-207°. It begins after three blank folios:—

گفتار در بیان شمة از احوال حكماد عظام بر سبیل اجمال .

Written in the same band as above.

A note on the fly-leaf in the hand-writing of the donor says that this MS, was purchased for "one rupee and four annas only."

No. 41.

foll. 267; lines 12; size 91 × 6; 61 × 31.

اتشكده

ATASHKADAH.

A defective copy of a detailed legendary account of the martyrs of Karbalā in mixed prose and verse. The MS. is defective at both beginning and end. The name of the author can not be traced, but in the verses his poetical nom de plume محرفري occurs frequently. On fol. 95 we find that the author quotes the great Shi ah divine Muhammad Baqir, who died in A.H. 1110 — A.D. 1698. It is divided into several chapters called ما المنافذة Fire House," each subdivided into several sections called ما المنافذة Flame."

The MS, opens abruptly with the 10th Shu'lah of the fifth Atashkadah:

• علق دهم کیفیت شب عاشورا و رداع حضرت پروردگار مفاول هریک and breaks off in the middle of the 10th Shu'lah of the Sixth Atashkadah.

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 42.

foll. 80; lines 15; size 8×6; 61×32.

جنگذامهٔ حسني

JANG NAMAH-I-HUSAYNÎ,

A history of Husayn, preceded by a short notice on the life of Hasan, by an anonymous author. The MS, begins thus without any preface or introduction:—

قصة شاه زادها امير المومنين حسن وحسين - چنين آورده اند كه در عرب مرديي بود كه او را عبد المثاف مي گفتند .

Written in ordinary Nim-Shikastah. Dated Bardawan, 1252 Bengali

Scribe: - اعمد على

No. 43.

foll. 21: lines 19: size 111×7: 9×5.

نور الإيمان

NÜR-UL-ÎMÂN.

A treatise dealing with the genealogy, miracles, merits, qualities, prerogatives, distinctions, and other particulars of Muhammad and his companions, derived from several reliable , etc. وضد الصفاء كتاب الشفاء جامع الاصول - شمايل ترمذي works, such as by the celebrated 'Abd-ur-Rahim bin 'Abd-ul-Karim Safipuri of the 19th century. عبد الرحيم بن عبد الكريم صفى پورى

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين و الصلوة اما بعد پوشيدة فعائد كه حضرت شين السلام ه

Written in Nim-Shikastah. Not dated, 19th century.

(4) History of the Gaznawis.

No. 44.

foll, 444; lines 17; size 91 × 5; 61 × 23.

تاريخ معوىي TARIKH-I-MAS'UDI.

A very splendid copy of the well-known history of the reign of Sultan Mas'ud bin Sultan Mahmud bin Subuktigin, from A.H. 421 to A.H. 432 - A.D. 1030-1040, by Abul Fadl Muhammad bin who died ابو الفضل معمد بن حمين البيهقي who died in A.H. 470 = A.D 1077.

Begins :-

وندكاني خداوند عالم سلطان اعظم ولى الفعم دراز باد النم .

The work also known as الربع بيهائي has been printed in the

Bibliotheca Indica, Calcutta, 1862

Written in beautiful Nasta'liq, within gold-ruled borders, with a finely illuminated frontispiece and a double-page 'Unwan. There are several gaps in the text. Dated, A.H 1040.

پير مُتَعَمَّد ابن شيخ جلال فنوجي فريشي الصديقي - Scribe

(5) History of the Mugals.

No. 45.

foll. 178; lines 13; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

هفت رسالة تقويم البلدان

HAFT RISÂLAH-I-TAQWÎM-UL-BULDÂN.

A collection of seven treatises containing short accounts of events chiefly relating to the history of the Mugals, being extracts, most probably from Muhammad Şâdiq's Şubh-i Şâdiq, for which see Ethé, Bodl. Lib. Cat. No. 102.

These treatises correspond with those mentioned in Ethé, Bodl.

Lib. Cat. Nos. 106-13.

مجمل تواريخ خواقين ماوراء الذير . 146-16. (1)

A short list of events in the history of Transoxania recorded in chronological order from A H. 380-1019 = A.D. 990-1610.

Beginning as in Ethé, loc. cit. :-

در سفه ثمانين و ثلثماية بغوا خان كه اول ملوك آل خاقان است .

It is remarkable that the colophon of this treatise closely agrees with that of the Bodl. Copy No. 106 except for one or two slight differences. The date of transcription given here is the 3rd (instead of 10th as in the Bodl. Copy) of Ramadan, while the year, as in the Bodl. Copy, is not given.

(2) Foll. 15a-30b. An account of the origin of the Mugal races followed by a short history of Chingiz Khan, Timur and

their descendants, agreeing with the Bodl. Copy No. 108.

Begins :-

العدد الله رب العالمين اين مختصريست دربيان لحوال اولاد ياقت بن توج " •

رساله دربیان انساب و اسامي خاناني که بعد از : 976-310 (3) (3) اند • جنگيز خان در الغ پورت سلطنت نموده اند

A short history of the events of the reign of Timur with an account of those of his children and grandchildren whom Timur survived.

Begins :-

الحدد الله رب العالمين بدانكه اين رساله ايست مشتملير احوال خروج علمبقران گيتي ستان امير تيمور گوركان و وقايع زمان عاحبقرانيش تا روز وفات او و تعداد اولاد و اخفادش كه بر زمان حياتش موجود بودند .

This portion is dated Monday, the 12th of Shawwal, A.H. 1198.

(4) Foll. 986-157a. لَذَكُونَ الْهُولُ. A collection of biographies of the Amîrs of the reigns of Bâbur (fol. 986) and Humâyûn (fol. 1066). See Bodl. Lib. No. 110.

Beginning:-

الحمد الله رب العالمين اين مختصريست در مجمل احوال امراى هندرستان .

This portion is dated the 8th of Dulqa'd, A H. 1198.

(5) Foll 1576-1649. Farman of Shah Tahmasp to Muhammad Khan Sharaf-ud-Din Ugli Taklû Beglarbeg of Khurasan, directing him to give the emperor Humayan a hearty reception and to treat him hospitably.

Begins :-

این نقل فرمان شاه جمجاه شاه طهداسپ ابن شاه اسمعیل صفوی در باب لوازم استقبال .

(6) Foll 1652-1782. A short history of the events connected with Humayan's stay in Persia; his reception, and the hospitality he received from Muhammad Khan; his interview with the Shah of Persia, etc. See Bodl. Lib. No. 112 (24). A list of the Amirs who accompanied Humayan out of Persia is given on fol 1705 and of the followers who stayed with him during his exile in Persia, on fol. 1735.

Begins :-

عزيمت همايون حضرت جنت آشياني نصير الدين محمد همايون بادشاه غازي بصوب عراق •

The colophon, in which the title of the work is given as المنابع منابع منابع منابع منابع منابع منابع منابع البلدان , is dated the 10th of Dilqa'd A.H.

محمد انضل-: Scribe

The seventh treatise, except for a few of the concluding lines, is wanting

The MS, is in a damaged condition. It is wormed throughout, and in most places pasted with patches of thick papers.

Written in fair Nasta'liq.

(6) History of Tîmûr.

No. 46.

foll. 407; lines 23; size 11\(\frac{1}{4} \times 6\(\frac{3}{4}\); 8 \times 4.

ظفر نامه

ZAFAR NÂMAH.

The well-known history of Timûr from his birth to his death (A.H. 736-807 — A.D. 1336-1405), written by Sharaf-ud-Din 'Ali Yazdi شرف الدين علي يزدي (d. A.H. 858 — A.D. 1454), who completed it. according to Habib-us-Siyar (Vol. III, Juz 3, p. 148), in A.H. 828 — A.D. 1424.

Beginning :-

حدداً كثيراً مباركًا لمن يوتى الملك من يشاد .

The work has been published in the Bibliotheca Indica Written in a careless Nasta'liq with the headings in red. The first and the last folios are damaged. Several folios at the beginning have been supplied in a later hand.

Not dated, apparently 18th century. A seal dated 11fo and bearing the inscription علاج الدين خان قدري محمد شاء بادشاء غازي is found on the last folio.

No. 47.

foll. 178; lines 13-14; size 81 × 51; 61 × 4.

تؤك تيموري

TUZUK-I-TÎMÛRÎ.

The autobiographical memoirs of Timûr, translated, it is alleged, from a Turkî original, by Abû Tâlib-ul-Ḥusaynī ابوطالب who presented them to the emperor Shâh Jahân probably a short time before A.H. 1047 — A.D. 1637.

Beginning:-

The arrangement of the contents in this copy exactly corresponds with that of the copy noticed in Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. No. 196. The memoirs here are brought down to A.H. 776 (fol. 177°) with which ends this copy.



The memoirs are preceded by the Dastur-ul-Amal of Timur,

which he sent to his ruling sons and nobles

Written on various coloured papers in two different hands; foll. 1-130b; in a careless Nasta'liq and the remaining portion in a fair Nasta'liq. The Dastûr-ul-'Amal, comprising three folios, is written in a clear Nasta'liq.

The MS. is wormed and damaged. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

(7) History of Nadir Shah.

No. 48.

foll. 404; lines 13; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $7\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

تاریخ جہانکشای TÂRÎKH-I-JAHÂNKUSHÂL

The well-known history of Nadir Shah from his rise to his death, A.H. 1160 — A.D. 1747, composed by Mirza Muhammad Mahdi Khan Astarabadi bin Muhammad Nasir مرزا معدد مهدي خان A.H. 1171 — A.D. 1757. It is also known simply as

Beginning:-

بر دانایان رموز آگاهي و دقیقه یابان حکمتهلي الٰهي .

Several editions of the work have appeared at Teheran (A.H. 1260), Tabriz and Bombay; published for the Asiatic Society

of Bengal Calcutta, 1345.

Written in ordinary Indian Nasta'llq with rubrics within coloured ruled borders with an illuminated frontispiece and double-paged 'Unwan. Not dated, apparently 19th century. A note on the fly-leaf at the beginning in the hand-writing of the donor of this library says that he purchased this copy for Rs. 80. There is a lacuna after fol. 201.

No. 49.

foll. 216; lines 14-15; size 9×51; 71×4.

THE SAME.

Another copy of the Tarikh-i-Jahan Kushai, written in Nim-Shikastah within coloured ruled borders. The headings are written in red throughout. Patches of thick paper render the text illegible in several places.

Fol. 213a; written in a different hand (Shikastah), is dated

15th or 16th of Muharram, A.H. 1167.

No. 50.

foll. 112; lines 17; size 101 × 6; 8 × 41.

بران واقع BAYAN-I-WAQI'.

A history of Nådir Shåh from his invasion of India down to his death in A H. 1160—A.D 1747, and of the events that took place during the reigns of Muḥammad Shāh and Ahmad Shāh, together with a narrative of the author's travels to Persia and Arabia, by Khwajah 'Abd-ul-Karim bin Khwajah 'Aqibat Mahmud bin Khwajah Bulaq bin Khwajah Muḥammad Rida.

The author, originally belonging to Kashmir, came to Dihli and attached himself to Hakim 'Alawi Khan with whom he accompanied Nadir Shah from Dihli to Qazwin, A.H. 1154—A.D. from where he set out for Mecca and finally returned to Dihli, A.H. 1156—A.D. 1743.

According to the preface the work is divided into five chapters and a Khâtimâh each subdivided into several sections.

Rise of Nådir Shåh and his march to India, fol. 3h.

II. Nâdir's return from India and his march to Tûrân, Khwârazm, etc., fol. 24°.

III Events that took place during the time of the author's travels from Qazwin through Persia and Arabia and back to Hugli, fol. 615.

IV. Events that took place from the time of the author's return to the death of Muhammad Shah, fol 84°.

V. Events of the reign of Ahmad Shah, fol. 103s. Space for the heading is left blank here.

The account in this copy is brought down to A.H. 1166. The Khātimah is wanting.

A condensed translation, wanting the first chapter and the later additions of the author, was published by F. Gladwin, under the title of "Memoirs of Khojeh Abdul Kurreem," Calcutta, 1788. A fuller translation, made by Lieut. H. G. Pitchard for Sir H. M. Elliot, is preserved in MS, Brit. Mus. Add. 30,782. The MS, is wormed throughout and the margins are badly damaged.

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq within coloured ruled borders.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

(8) History of Persia. No. 51.

foll. 210; lines 19; size 91 × 51; 6 × 31.

مفاتيح العجم MAFÄTÎH-UL-AJAM.

A rare copy of the history of the ancient Persian dynasties and their kings, written by the order of the celebrated wazir Mir 'Ali Shîr (d. A.H. 906 — A.D. 1507), by Abul Ḥasan Ṭabari ابر العصل طبري. The first three folios, supplied in a later hand, are hopelessly damaged.

Beginning:-

(بعد از حمد) خالق جزو كل و نعت افضل البشر و خاتم الرسل بر دل و ديدة و بيذش مخفى و محتجب مباد ...

The author divides the work into four Tabaqat, devoted to the four ancient dynasties of Persia, viz. the Pishdadians (fol. 2b); the Kayanians, the Ashkanians (the accounts of these two dynasties are intermixed); and the Sasanians (fol. 198a).

The MS. breaks off in the middle of the account of شاپور دول داد که قوم تو بولایت می آمده اند ر خرابی

Written in good Nasta'liq with rubrics. Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 52.

foll. 470; lines 27; size 13½×6½; 9½×4. قاريخ عالم آرای مباسي TÂRÎKH-I-'ÂLAM ÂRÂ-I-'ABBÂSÎ.

A complete and very valuable copy of the famous history of the life and reign of Shah 'Abbas Safawi and his predecessors, by Iskandar Munshi اسكندر منشى who originally completed the

work in A.H. 1025 = A.D. 1616, but afterwards continued it to A.H. 1038 = A.D. 1629.

Beginning :-

The author originally divided his work into a Muqaddimah on the forefathers and predecessors of Shāh 'Abbās, and two Sahifahs the first containing the life of 'Abbās from his birth to his accession (A.H. 978-996 — A.D. 1571-1588), the second, the first thirty years of his reign (A.H. 996-1025 — A.D. 1588-1616). He subsequently added a continuation, called Maqsad-i-Şānī, devoted to the history of the last thirteen years of 'Abbās's reign (A.H. 1025-1038 — A.D. 1616-1629).

Contents:—Preface, fol. 1^b. After fol. 2^b, three folios, containing the concluding portion of the preface, and the earlier portion of the Muqaddimah (devoted to the genealogy of Shah 'Abbas), are missing. History of Shah Isma'il, fol. 10^b; Shah Tahmasp, fol. 18^b.

Sahifah I History of Shah 'Abbas from his birth to his

accession, fol. 33a.

Sahifah II. History of 'Abbas from his accession to A.H. 1025 = A D. 1616, or the history of the first thirty years of his reign, fol. 1478.

Maqşad-i-Şani. History of the last thirteen years (A.H. 1025-

1038 = A.D. 1616-1629) of 'Abbas's reign, fol. 3865.

This beautiful copy is written in a fine clear Nasta'liq within gold-ruled borders with two illuminated head-pieces. The headings are written in red throughout. At the end of the copy is found the following note dated A.H. 1096.

The note is followed by a seal of Muzaffar Husayn with the inscription:

A note on the fly-leaf at the beginning records the price of the MS, as Rs, 140.

No. 53.

foll. 64; lines 23; size 131 x 91; 102 x 1.

THE SAME.

A very defective copy of the 'Alam Ara containing only the first portion of the Muqaddimah and the latter part of the first Sahifah. After fol. 75 there is a lacuna of 90 folios, corresponding to foll, 7 to 97 of the preceding copy.

Beginning as usual :-

چون نشر محامد كبريلي الهي النم .

Written in ordinary Ta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled

borders with an illuminated head-piece.

A note on the fly-leaf at the beginning says that the transcription of this copy was finished in Kashmir in the 10th year of the reign of المائير عامية , most probably meaning 'Alamgir (A H. 1069-1119), the son of the Sâhibqiran-i-Sâni (Shâh Jahân). For another copy, dated Kashmir, A.H. 1074, written by the scribe of this copy, see No. 56.

No. 54.

foll. 380; lines 23; size 13\(\frac{1}{2}\times 9\(\frac{1}{4}\); 10\(\frac{1}{4}\times 6\(\frac{1}{4}\).

THE SAME.

The second Sahifah of the 'Âlam Ara containing the history of the first thirty years of Shah 'Abbas's reign.

Beginning:-

Written in ordinary Ta'liq by the scribe of the preceding copy within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated headpiece

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 55.

foll. 194; lines 18; size 121 × 71: 81 × 41.

THE SAME.

The Maq ad-i-Şani of the 'Alam Ara containing the history of the last thirteen years of 'Abbas's reign.

Beginning:-

بعد از حمد و سیاس خالق آسمان و زمین و ستایش و نیایش جهان آفرین ه Written in a careless Ta'liq. The original folios have been mounted on new margins.

The MS. is wormed throughout. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 56.

foll. 97; lines 23; size $13\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{4}$; $10\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$.

THE SAME.

Another copy of the same Maqsad. Written in ordinary Ta'liq by the scribe of the copy No. 53 within gold and coloured ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece.

A note at the end says that the transcription of the copy was finished in Kashmîr, in Jumadâ II, A.H. 1074.

No. 57.

foll. 135; lines 19; size 82 × 41; 71 × 31.

تاريخ طاهر وحيد TĀRĪKH-I-TĀHĪR WAHĪD.

A defective copy of the history of Shah 'Abbas II of Persia (A.H. 1052-1077 — A D. 1642-1686), from his birth to the fifteenth or sixteenth year of his reign, by the well-known poet and historiographer Mirza Muhammad Tahir Wahid bin Mirza Husayn Khan Qazwini مرزا محمد طاهر وحيد بن صرزا حسين خان قرويذي d., according to Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. No. 555, A.H. 1110 — A.D. 1698.

Beginning:-

The question of the real extent of this history is still open to discussion. In a copy mentioned by Dr. Dorn, St. Petersburg Catal., p. 292, the account is brought down to A.H. 1074. Ethé, Bodl. No. 301, concludes with A.H. 1064. In Rieu, British Museum Add. 11,632, the account is brought down to A.H. 1066. The present copy is a defective one, and most of the headings towards the end are omitted.

The author does not give any distinct title to the work, and it is known as تاريع جديد و عباس نامه و تاريع شاء عباس ثاني . The present copy is endorsed as

This copy breaks off with the following words:-

Written in a clear Indian Ta'liq.

Two seals, one of جلال الدرلة dated A.H. 1204, and another of dated A.H. 1208, are found on the fly-leaf at the beginning.

The last folio is wormed in many places.

(9) History of Herat. No. 58.

foll. 275; lines 25; size $12\frac{3}{4} \times 9$; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$.

تاريخ هواة TARÎKH-I-HARÂT.

This unique and exceedingly valuable work, of which no other copy seems to be extant, is no doubt the most valuable possession of this library. It gives, on an elaborate scale, an accurate account of the city of Herat and the Malik kings of the Kurt race who ruled there, and treats of all the important events of historical interest which took place there between the years A.H. 618-721 -A.D. 1221-1321. Mu'in Assizāri, the author of the Raudāt-ul-Jannat (a popular history of Herat, composed A.H. 897 - A.D. 1491), who quotes this work as one of his sources, not only freely borrows from it, but bases his entire account of the aforesaid period exclusively on it. For full particulars of the work see my " Notes on a unique history of Herat, discovered in the Buhar collection of MSS, in the Imperial Library," published in the Journal of the Asiatic Society of Bengal (New Series), Vol. XII, No. 4 (1916).

Beginning:-

حمد بيعد و سياس ييقياس مر حضرت جلال خداولديوا النو .

The author who calls himself in the preface Sayf ibn Muhammad bin Ya'qûb-ul-Harawî معمد بن يعتوب البرري but later on simply Sayfi, says that after composing the ethical work Majmu'ah-i-Giyasi, which he dedicated to his patron Malik Giyaş-ud-Dîn Kurt, the fourth king of Herat of the Kurt race, who reigned from A.H. 708-729 — A.D. 1308-1328, he was ordered by the said king to write a history of the events which took place in Herat after Chingiz Khan's death (A.H. 624 — A.D. 1226) down to his

own time. Hence the composition.

This part of the work comprises 136 dikrs or chapters, fully enumerated in the beginning, foll. 3b-9a; but from the preface we learn that the author divided the entire work into 400 dikrs. We are further given to understand in the concluding lines that the present volume is the first daftar and that, if chance favours, he (the author) would write the second. It seems quite probable

that the author did not live to fulfil his promise.

Of the 136 chapters comprised in this volume, the first (fol. 90) is devoted to the account of the foundation of Herat and the second (fol. 16a) to the pre-eminence of Herat, based on those traditions of the prophet which refer to this city. The history itself opens with the third chapter (fol. 17b) relating to the expedition sent by Chingiz Khan under Tuli Khan against Khurasan in A.H. 618 - A.D. 1221 and the general massacre of the inhabitants. In Chapters IV-XI (foll. 19a-33a) the author gives a vivid account of the sanguinary expeditions of the Mongols against Merv. Nishapur and Herat and the ravages wrought by them. In concluding the eleventh chapter the author observes that after the destruction of Herat as there were only 16 survivors whom he enumerates by name (fol. 29b) and as the city remained in a desolated condition for 16 years, viz. A.H. 619-634 - A.D. 1222-1236, and no king or governor came forward to rebuild it, he has given a summary account of these years (under Chapters IV-XI). He has, however, dealt elaborately with the history of the remaining period, narrating the events year by year. Chapters XII-XX (foll. 33b-48a) treat of the history of the rulers and governors who ruled in Herat from A.H. 634-642 - A.D. 1236-1244, before the Maliks of Herat of the Kurt race of Ghor.

The remaining chapters are devoted to the history of the first four kings of Herat of the Kurt race covering the period A.H. 643-721 — A.D. 1245-1321. The history ends with an account of the expedition sent against also by Malik Giyâş-ud-Dîn's son Malik Shams-ud-Dîn in A.H. 721, the year in which the former went on a pilgrimage to Mecca leaving Malik Shams-ud-Dîn

in charge of the government.

A note on fol. 1s in the handwriting of Muhammad Tähir Åshnä, entitled 'Inayat Khän, the learned historian and librarian of Emperor Shäh Jahän, adds further interest and value to the copy. In this note 'Inäyat Khän says that this copy of the history of the Maliks of Herat, belonging to his deceased father (Zafar Khän, the governor of Kashmir), reached Kashmir from Lahore at the end of Ramadan, A.H. 1074. The note runs thus:—



تاريخ ملكان عراة بابت اموال والد مرحوم سلغ رمضان العدارك سنه ۱۰۷۴ از الهور بكشمير رسيد و داخل عارينتخانه كرديد حررة عنايت خان ظفر خان عفى عنيما .

قيست بنے مہر

In another place on the same page the price of the MS, is written thus :-

قنعت عسد ميد

The same folio contanis an illuminated but faded star and several seals, of which only one, bearing the inscription عليقايضان is legible, مريد عالمكير بادشاء غازي

Written in a beautiful, bold and clear Naskh on good thick

paper with the headings in red throughout the copy.

The MS, is not dated, but the nature of the handwriting and the general appearance of the copy tend to suggest that it was transcribed during the lifetime of the author or immediately after his death.

The MS. is worm-eaten, mutilated and loosened from the original binding, but fortunately no folio seems to be missing.

(10) History of Europe.

No. 59.

foll, 274; lines 17; size 10×6; 7½×4.

تنقيع الاخمار

TANQIH-UL-AKHBAR.

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is نقير الخبارة The present volume, which is the seventh, and which seems to be a portion of a general history of the world, deals with the history of Europe from the earliest times down to the 19th century. The last date found here is A.D. 1796.

Beginning:-

هزاران سياس ايود توانا را ست كه انسان ضعيف البنيان •

In a short preface the author, whose name is not mentioned anywhere, says that after finishing the history of Africa and Egypt he wrote the seventh volume of the الأدوار eon-

taining the history of غرنگ and ربي (Europe). It begins with the history of Greece and ends with that of Russia. A work on general history, bearing the title النفيل النفيل and composed, A.H. 1125 — A.D. 1713, is noticed in Ethé, Ind. Office Lib Nos. 127-128.

Written in ordinary Ta'liq within coloured-ruled borders. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

The words __iid. bio, on the fly-leaf at the beginning, suggest that the MS. is an autograph copy of the author.

A seal at the beginning (not legible) is dated A.H. 1255.

(II) Indian Histories.

(a) General History of India.

No. 60.

foll. 579; lines 19; size 121×71 ; 101×51 .

طبقات أكبري

TABAQAT-I-AKBARÎ.

A general history of India from the time of Subuktigin, A.H. 367 — A.D. 977, to the end of the 38th year of Akbar's reign, A.H. 1002 — A.D. 1593, composed by Nizām-ud-Dîn Ahmad bin Muḥammad Muqîm of Herat نظام الدين الحمد بن محمد مقدم شروي who died A.H. 1003 — A.D. 1594.

Beginning:-

- سپاس رفعت اساس بادشاه حقیقي را سزد که حل و عقد نظام عالم و ضبط و ربط بني آدم النع •

The work is divided into a Muqaddimah, nine Tabaqât, and a Khâtimah.

Contents:-

Muqaddimah.—History of the Gaznawis, fol 3a.

Tabaqah I.—Sultans of Dihli from Mu'izz-ud-Din Guri to Akbar, fol. 18b.

Tabaqah II.—Kings of the Deccan, fol. 394a. Tabaqah III.—Kings of Gujarat, fol. 433a.

The fourth Tabaqah dealing with the history of the kings of Mâlwah is placed after the fifth Tabaqah, on fol 483°. Tabaqah V.-Kings of Bengal, fol. 4780.

The sixth Tabaqah, dealing with the history of the Sharqi kings of Jaunpur, is wanting.

Tabaqah VII.—Rulers of Kashmir, fol. 520°. Tabaqah VIII.—Rulers of Sind, fol. 560°. Tabaqah IX.—Rulers of Multan, fol. 566°.

The Khatimah, dealing with a short geographical sketch of the Indian Empire, is wanting.

The work is being edited and translated in the Bibliotheca Indica Series.

The MS, is written in a clear bold Nasta'liq, within gold and

coloured ruled borders. Fol. 2ª is profusely illuminated

The following folios, writt-n in ordinary Ta'liq, have been supplied in a later hand: 1, 9-16, 21-22, 80-81, 84, 90, 97, 104, 115, (upper part of) 136, (lower corner of) 144, 153-154, 157-158, 208-227, 231-232, 239-240, 244, 251-252, 259-268, 271, 277-286, (lower part of) 302, (upper corners of) 319-326, 336, 341, 344-347, 391-394, 405, 408, 412, 417-420, 429-436, 445, 449-466, 468, 495-498, 530, 549-560, 565, 568, 572, 577-579.

Dated 15th Dulqa'ad, the 23rd year of Shah 'Alam's reign.

(b) Sultans of Dihli.

No. 61.

foll. 181; lines 27; size 91×51; 61×31.

تاريخ فيروز شاهي TĀRĪĶH-I-FĪRŪZSHĀHĪ.

A very good copy of Diyâ-i-Baranî's عبار برني well-known history of the kings of Dihli from the accession of Giyâj-ud-Dîn Balban, A.H. 664 — A.D. 1266 to the sixth year of Fîrûz Shâh's reign, A.H. 758 — A.D. 1357. Edited in the Bibl. Ind. Calcutta, 1860-1862.

An old copy of the work exists in the Government collection

in the custody of the Asiatic Society of Bengal.

The work begins as usual after four lines in which the title of the book and the names of the kings dealt in the work are given:—

تاريخ بدروز شاهي از تاليف ضياء برني - دربي تاريخ اخبار هشت بادشاهي كه در تختگاه دهلي جهانداري كوده اند سلطان خياث الدين بلبى سلطان العصر و الزمان ابو العظفر نيروز شاه حمد و ثفاه مر خدايرا كه اخبار و آثار انبياه .

Contents :--

Sultan Giya-ud-Din Balban, fol. 4a; Sultan Mui'zz-ud-Dîn Kayqubâd, fol. 37b; Sultan Jalâl-ud-Dîn Fîrûz Khiljî, fol. 53a; Sultan 'Alâ ud-Dîn Khiljî, fol. 58b; Sultan Qutb-ud-Dîn, fol. 118a; Sultan Giya-ud-Dîn Tuğluq Shâh, fol. 132a; Sultan Muhammad bin Tuğluq, fol. 139b; Fîrûz Shâh, fol. 159a.

The account of each king, except the first, the second and the

last, is preceded by a detailed index.

There is a lacuna after fol. 16,

This beautiful copy is written in a fine Nasta'liq within goldruled and coloured borders with the headings written in red.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

No. 62.

foll. 198; lines 13; size 111 × 7; 81 × 5.

قاريخ سلاطين افافنه

TÂRÎKH-I-SALÂTÎN-I-AFÂGANAH.

A history of the Lodi and Sûr dynasties composed, as stated in the preface, at the request of Dâ'ûd Shâh, 'A.H. 980-984 — A.D. 1572-1576), the youngest son of Sulaymân Khân Qarrânî, king of Bihâr and Bengal (A.H. 971-980 — A.D. 1563-1572), by Ahmad Yâdgâr.

Beginning:-

شكر و سياس ولجب الوجودي را سزا ست كه جلال صفات جمالش .

A copy of the work is preserved in the Asiatic Society of Bengal. The work comprises the following reigns:—

Bahlûl Lodi, fol. 3°; Sikandar Lodi, fol. 23°; Ibrâhîm Lodi, fol. 46°; Shîr Shâh, fol. 106°; Islâm Shâh, fol. 139°; Muḥammad Shâh 'Adil, fol. 159°.

It concludes with an account of the defeat, capture and execution of Himû in A.H. 964.

Written in Nim-shikastah.

Not dated, a modern copy, apparently copied in the 19th century.

.عبد الرحمن-: Scribe

(c) History of the Timurides in India.

No. 63.

foll. 174; lines 21; size 141 x 91; 10 x 6.

اكبر نامد

AKBAR NAMAH.

The first part of the first book of Abul Fadl's lead (d. A.H. 1011 = A.D. 1602) famous Akbar Nâmah, or the history of Akbar. The entire work, completed A.H. 1004 = A.D. 1596 and continued till A.H. 1010 = A.D. 1601, is divided into three volumes. The first, divided into two parts, contains the history of Akbar's ancestors and of his own reign to the end of the seventeenth year; the second, from the beginning of the eighteenth year to the end of the forty-sixth year. For the third volume see No. 65 below.

The present MS., which is the first part of the first book, com-

The present MS., which is the first part of the first book, comprises the history of Akbar's ancestors to the death of Humâyûn, A.H. 963 = A.D. 1556.

It begins thus :-

The text has been edited in the Bibl. Ind. Lithographed at Lucknow, A.H. 1284.

Written in a clear Nasta'liq with a profusely illuminated headpiece and a double-page 'Unwân.

Spaces for headings are left blank on foll. 157° and 173°. Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 64.

foll. 193; lines and size same as above.

THE SAME.

The second part of the first book of the Akbar Namah, containing the history of Akbar's reign from his accession to the end of the 17th year of his reign.

Beginning:-

The Khātimāh of the first book begins on fol. 1876.

The MS. is defective towards the end and breaks off with the words عبديكران جه رحد 5.

Written in the same hand by the scribe of the preceding copy within gold and coloured ruled borders with a profusely illuminated head-piece and a double-page 'Unwân.

No. 65.

foll, 298; lines 23; size 191 × 111; 14 × 81.

آئين اکبري A'ÎN-I-AKBARÎ.

The third book of the Akbar Nāmah containing a detailed statistical account of India and the Institutes of Akbar, by the same Abul Fadl. The work has been edited in the Bibl. Ind. (Calcutta, 1877) by H. Blochmann whose excellent translation of the work was published in the same series in 1873. An abridged paraphrase of the work was published by Francis Gladwin in three vols., Cal. 1783-1786; reprinted in two vols., London, 1800.

Beginning:-

لى همه در پرده نهان راز تو .

This interesting copy contains valuable notes on the margins.

Written in bold Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with the headings written in red. The copy contains three illuminated 'Unwans found respectively on foll. 16, 1386 and 2286.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

A seal of راجه پرسی فرایی دیب, dated A.H. 1301, is fixed on the fly-leaf at the beginning.

No. 66.

foll, 285; lines 20; size 12×7 ; $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6$.

اقبالنامة جهاقكيري IQBÂL NĀMAH-I-JAHĀNGÎRÎ.

A copy of the scarce second volume of the Iqbâl Namah, containing a full history of Akbar from his accession to his death, abridged from Abul Fadl's Akbar Namah and its continuation, by Muhammad Sharif, generally known as Mu'tamad Khân معرف بعند خان (d. A.H. 1049 = A.D. 1639), who completed it in Kashmir, A.H. 1029 = A.D. 1620.

Beginning:-- اورنگ جهانگیری و جهانیانی و افسر اقبال و کامرانی

The volume ends with an enumeration of the children of Akbar.

There are two colophons at the end of this copy. The first dated, Akbarābād, Sunday, the 23rd of Muharram, A H. 1069, the 33rd year (probably a mistake for 37th year) of Shāh Jahān's reign.

The second dated the 8th year of Farrukh Siyar's reign (A.H. 1124-1131) says that the transcription was completed at midday in the midst of the battle between Farrukh Siyar and the Sayyid brothers.

The second colophon seems to give the correct date of the transcription of this copy and it is probable that the first colophon

belongs to the copy from which this MS, was copied.

Written in Nim-shikastah and ordinary Ta'liq by four scribes, viz., موتى لعل and مرتى لعل A seal of ببوجراج us found at the end of the copy.

The headings are written in red.

No. 67.

foll. 275; lines 15; size 9 × 51; 7 × 31.

جهانگير نامه JAHĀNGĪR NĀMAH.

The amplified redaction of the spurious memoirs of Jahangir, on which Major Price's translation, "Memoirs of the emperor Jahangueir, written by himself," is based. This copy exactly agrees with the one mentioned in Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. No. 310.

Beginning:-

After which the usual beginning appears thus in the third line: حمد بيغايت و شكربي نهايت.

The title بزك جهانگيري, which is frequently given to these

memoirs, appears in the colophon.

Written in a fair Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated frontispiece.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 68.

foll. 108; lines 15-18; size 10×6; 81×4.

THE SAME.

Another copy of the spurious memoirs of Jahangir, defective at both ends. It opens abruptly with the words:—

This copy slightly differs from the preceding one. It contains the prologue of Ptimad-ud-Daulah to the Pand Namah, or moral precepts of Jahangir (see Rieu, p. 2546) after which the text agrees, excepting a few verses, with that of the preceding copy. Rieu's copy, loc. cit., it concludes with an account of the colossal dragon in the jungle near Ajmere, followed by a Qasidah which Jahangir is said here to have composed in imitation of Khaqani's .دل من ييو تعليم احت الن well-known Qaşidah

The MS, written in a careless and bad Nîm-shikastah is full of clerical mistakes.

A note at the end says that although the copy has been compared, it is necessary that it should be re-written in a clear hand.

Not dated, apparently 19th century. The MS. is in a damaged condition.

No. 69.

foll. 386; lines 17; size 111×7; 71×4.

دادشاه نامه

PADISHAH NAMAH.

A history of the early life of Shah Jahan and of the first ten years of his reign, i.e. from A H. 1000-1047 = A.D. 1591-1637, by محمد امين بي ابو الحسين Muḥammad Amin bin Abul Husayn Qazwini who was entrusted with the work by the emperor in A.H. 1045 - A.D. 1635.

Beginning:-

The work is divided into three sections, called Muqaddimah, Maqalah and Khatimah, as follows :-

 Muqaddimah.—Containing the account of Shah Jahan's birth, and the history of his predecessors and of his minority, fol. 95.

II. Maqalah,-Account of his accession and history of the first ten years of his reign, fol. 98a.

III. Khatimah, -Biographical notice of the Shavkhs, learned men, physicians, and poets of Shah Jahan's time,

Written in a fair Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders. Spaces, probably for illustrations, have been left blank in several places. The first folio is hopelessly damaged, and several folios towards the end are badly wormed:

Dated A.H. 1228.

No. 70.

foll. 277; lines 19 (but on fol. 67a, 15); size 11 × 6½; 7½ × 3½.

قَرْنَيَّة شاهجهان بادشاه

QARNÎYAH-I-SHÂH JAHÂN BÂDSHÂH.

Another history of Shah Jahan's reign, by Muhammad Tahir, poetically surnamed Ashna المصد طاهر منتخلص به الشاء (d. A.H. 1977 — A.D. 1666), composed in A.H. 1068 — A.D. 1658. The present MS. contains only the history of the last ten years of the emperor's reign. The history of the first two decades is wanting.

The copy begins abruptly with an account of the 21st year

(A.H. 1057 - A.D. 1647) of the reign, on fol. 10b.

The first nine folios, written in a different hand (clear bold Nasta'liq), contain a detailed autobiography of the author.

Muhammad Tähir's history is generally known by the name of Shah Jahan Namah. It is also called ماه on account of its being abridged from the Padishah Namah (noticed above). This portion of the work (the present volume) is called by the author (fol. 49). Foll. 248a-253b is a repetition of the first nine folios.

Written in a learned Naskh with the headings in red. Marginal notes and corrections are numerous towards the end of the copy

The MS, is worm-eaten in many places. Not dated, apparently 17th century.

Nos. 71-73. (Missing).

The three volumes of the 'Amal-i-Ṣāliḥ, a detailed history of Shāh Jahān from his birth to his death, composed by Muḥammad Ṣāliḥ Kanbūh محمد عال كنبرة, are missing. The volumes were lent to Sayyid 'Abd-ul-Wāriə ul-Mūsawī of Būhār on the 12th of June, 1911, and were never returned.

2585 2765

No. 74

foll. 58+339; lines 19; size 111x7; 8x41.

احوال شاهزادگي شاه جهان و بادشاه نامه دفتر اول

AḤWÂL-I-SHAHZĀDIGĪ-I-SHAH JAHAN WA PĀDISHĀH NĀMAH DAFTAR-I-AWWAL.

This MS, consists of two works both of which relate to the

history of Shah Jahan.

I. Foll. 1-58. History of Shah Jahan from his birth, A.H. 1000 — A.D. 1047, to his accession, A.H. 1037 — A.D. 1627, exactly agreeing with the copy mentioned in Rieu Supplement No. 76, II.

Like Rieu's copy it begins without any preface, with the same heading, viz. خکر سطوع نیر جاه و جلال. It also bears several endorsements in which the work is said to be the composition of Mu'tamid Khan اقبالنامة جهانگيري the author of the معتمد خالي. The history begins with the birth of Shah Jahan and ends with his arrival at Agrah in A.H. 1037.

A detailed index of the contents occupies about nine pages at

the beginning of the copy.

II. Foll 1-339. The first of the two volumes of 'Abd-ul-Hamid Lähūri's عبد الصيد العميد (d. A.H. 1065 = A.D. 1655) history of Shāh Jahān, containing the account of the first ten years of his reign, A.H. 1037-1047 = A.D. 1627-1638.

Reginning:-

The Introduction on the ancestors of Shah Jahan begins with Timur, on fol. 18a; Babur, fol. 20a; Humayun, fol. 26a; Akbar fol. 27a; Jahangir, fol. 28a. Shah Jahan's accession, fol. 33b; the second year, fol. 103b; the third, fol. 120a; the fourth, fol. 138b; the fifth, fol. 167b; the sixth, fol. 182a; the seventh, fol. 218b; the eighth, fol. 241a; the ninth, fol. 261b; the tenth, fol. 298a. The history is followed by an account of the Mansabdars (fol. 322b), Shaykhs (fol. 330b), learned men (fol. 334a), Physicians (fol. 336a), Poets (fol. 337b), of Shah Jahan's time.

'Abd-ul-Hamid's second volume of the work comprising the

years A.H. 1047-1057 - A.D. 1638-1647 is wanting.

The first two volumes of the Padishah Namah have been edited in the Biblioth. Ind. Calcutta, Vol. I, 1867; Vol. II, 1868.

A note on the fly-leaf says that this copy was transcribed by Munshi Gulam Husayn Khan Jaunpuri Tabaṭaba'i, the author of the well-known work Siyar-ul-Mutaakhkhirin بخط منشي غلام حصين غلام حضين خان جونپوري طباطبائي مصنف سير المناخرين

The MS, is worm-eaten throughout and the thick patches

pasted here and there render it illegible in many places.

The headings are written in red.

Written in fair Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders.

Dated, Benares, the 6th of Dulqa'd, A.H. 1235 - 6th August, 1820.

No. 75.

foll. 228; lines 19; size 111 × 7; 8 × 41.

The third volume of the Pådishåh Nåmah, supplied, after 'Abd-ul-Hamid's death, by Muhammad Waris محمد (الث (killed A.H. 1091 — A.D. 1680) and comprising the history of the last ten years of Shåh Jahan's reign, A.H. 1057-1067 — A.D. 1647-1657.

Beginning:-

A detailed index of the contents occupies nine folios at the beginning of the copy.

A note says that this copy, like the preceding, is due to the

handwriting of the same Gulam Husayn Khan.

Dated, Benares, the 3rd of Dul-hijjah, A.H. 1235 — 10th October, 1820.

Written in the same hand as the preceding copy.

No. 76.

foll. 346; lines 14; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

ماثر دالبكيري

MA'ASIR-I-'ALAMGIRI.

A very valuable copy of the Ma'âşir-i-'Alamgiri, written only two years after the author's death. The work, containing the history of the full reign of Aurangzib (A.H. 1067-1118 — A.D. 1656-1706), was composed by Muḥammad Sâqī Musta'id Khân محمد حاني (d. A.H. 1136 — A.D. 1724) in A.H. 1122 — A.D. 1710.

The first folio, supplied in a later hand, opens thus with an unusual beginning:—

مآثر عالمگیری که هردو جهان در طلب آفتاب ذاتش بسان ذره ایست و سلاطین ذوی الاقتدار را بآرایش دولت سرای ترویم دین اسلام النم .

The first line on fol, 2ª corresponds with line 11, p. 1, of the

Bibliotheca Indica edition.

The work consists of two unequal parts. The first, which contains the history of the first ten years of Aurangzib's reign and is a mere abridgment of Muhammad Kāzim's (d. A.H. 1092 = A.D. 1681) history of the same period, comprises foll. 1-40. The second part is Muhammad Sāqi's own composition and contains the history of the last forty years of the emperor's reign.

The work has been edited in the Bibliotheca Indica (Calcutta,

1870-71).

This valuable and splendid copy is written in a beautiful clear Nasta'liq on gold-sprinkled papers within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece and a double-page 'Unwân. The headings are written in red throughout. Useful marginal notes, written in the same hand as the copy itself, are occasionally found.

The colophon, dated A.H. 1138, runs thus:-

حسب الرشاد خان عاليشان اميدگاه بيكسان سلمه المقان بتاريخ فوردهم ربيع الثاني مطابق سقه يكهزار و يكصد وسي و هشت هجري فقير حقير محمد افضل حسيقي غفر الله دُنُوبه و ستر عيوبه باتمام رسانيد .

The seals and 'Ard-didahs on the fly-leaf have been effaced or disfigured by some mischievous hand,

No. 77.

foll. 412; lines 15; size $11\frac{1}{4} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$; 9×5 .

تذكرة السلاطين چنتا TADKIRAT-US-SALĀTÎN CHAGATĀ.

A history of the house of Timûr, more especially of its Indian branch, by Muhammad Hadi Kamwar Khan محمد هادي كامور خال who commenced it after completing in A.H. 1132 — A.D. 1720 his general history of India, the Haft Gulshan.

Beginning :-

چون صفحة كاغذ بهاراستم و خامة دو زبان برداشتم الني .

The present MS., containing the first of the two volumes of the work, begins with an account of the origin of the Turks, after which the author deals with the history of Chingiz Khân, Tîmûr, Shâh Rukh, Uluğ Beg, 'Abd-ul-Latif and his successors to the death of Sultan Husayn; the rise of the Safawis; Bābur, Humāyûn, Akbar and Jahāngir The volume closes with an account of Jahāngir's death in A.H. 1036 — A.D. 1626.

Spaces for headings are left blank throughout.

The first and the last three folios are very much damaged. Some folios at the beginning are worm-eaten in several places. The copy is detached from the original binding.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently, 19th century.

No. 78.

foll. 397; lines 17; size $10\frac{3}{4} \times 8\frac{1}{2}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5$.

THE SAME.

A good and neatly written copy of the very scarce second tolume of the same Muhammad Hådi Kåmwar Khån's تَذَكُرُةُ السِّلَامِيُّ comprising the history from the accession of Shåh Jahån, A.H. 1037 — A.D. 1627, down to the sixth year of Muhammad Shåh's reign, A.H. 1136 — A.D. 1723.

Beginning:-

بر ارباب خبرت مخفي و معتجب نماند که چون خداوند ازل و ابد الغ •

Contents:-

Shāh Jahān, fol. 1^bp. Aurangzīb, fol. 75^bp. Death of Aurangzīb, fol. 111^b. Contest between the sons of Aurangzīb and reign of Shāh 'Alam, fol. 228^b. Death of Shāh 'Alam and reign of Jahān-dār Shāh, fol. 295^b. Reign of Farrukh Siyar, fol. 306^b. Rafi'-ud-Darajāt, fol. 351^b. Rafi'-ud-Daulah, fol. 355^b. Muḥammad Shāh, fol. 360^a.

A very good and complete copy of the two volumes, dated A.H. 1154, is preserved in the Bankipur Library.

Pencil marks, with occasional marginal notes, by H. Blochmann, who has given on the fly-leaf as index of the contents, are found throughout the copy. On fol. 1b we find the following endorsement in his handwriting:— Tazkiratus Salatin

(Shâh Jahân up to the beginning of Muhammad Shah's reign).

(The first portion not copied).

(Sd.) J. H. BLOCHMANN. 1870.

The above facts strongly suggest that this MS, was wholly revised by H. Blochmann, for whom it was most probably copied. It is to be noticed that the date of his signature and that of the is also the تاول مالا ستبر سنه ۱۸۷۰م transcription of the copy

Written in ordinary but distinct Indian Taliq with the headings in red.

No. 79.

foll. 39; lines 14-20; size 71×5; 51×31.

تاريخ هاهنشاهي TARIKH-I-SHAHINSHAHI.

A very beautiful copy of the history of the events that followed the death of Aurangzib (A.H. 1118 = A.D. 1707) down to the beginning of the reign of Farrukh Sivar (A H. 1124-1131 = A.D. 1713-1719), in narrating which the author displays excessive partisanship for the two Sayyid brothers Husay 'Ali Khan and 'Abd Ullah Khan, to whose military operations he gives undue prominence. The author who calls himself (fol. 36) خولجة محمد خليل Khwajah Muhammad Khalil took an active share in most of the military events of the period which he records.

Beginning:-

التحمد لله و الصلوة على رسول الله و آئين سادات تمكين اليه .

The author does not choose any title for the work but in an endorsement on a fly-leaf at the beginning it is called .شاهنشاهی

Written in beautiful Shikastah on gilt ground within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated frontispiece. The first sixteen folios are written diagonally.

The original folios are mounted on new margins.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

(d) Local Histories of India.

(i) Kasumir.

No. 80.

foll. 149; lines 12-20; size 8×61; 71×51.

تاریخ کشیز TARÎKH-I-KASHMÎR.

A history of Kashmîr from the earliest times to A.H. 1122 —
A.D. 1710, the year in which it was completed, based on the original
Sanskrit work, the Rājatarangīni of Kalhanā, who wrote it in A.D.
1148 (printed in Calcutta, 1835; French edition and translation
by A. Troyer, Paris, 1840-52); by Narāyan Kûl, poetically surnamed
'Ājiz ماه المنظم ا

Beginning:-

سپاس بیرون از مقیاس قیاس سزاوار جفاب پادشاهی .

The MS, is incomplete and worm-eaten in many places. The first line of foll. 32a-63b is partly illegible on account of a big worm hole.

Written in Nasta'liq, apparently in the present century.

No. 81.

foll, 248; lines 15; size 91×51; 61×31.

واتعات كشبير

WAQI'AT-I-KASHMIR.

Another history of Kashmir from the oldest times down to A.H. 1160 — A.D. 1747, by Muḥammad A'ẓam, son of Khayr-uz-Zamān Khān, محمد اعظم بن خير الزمان خان (see fol. 40, l. 1).

Beginning:-

The title of the work forms a chronogram for the year A.H. 1148 = A.D. 1735 in which the author commenced this work, but he did not finish it before A.H. 1160 = A.D. 1747. It is dedicated to the emperor Naşir-ud-Dîn Muḥammad Shāh (A.H. 1131-1161 = A.D. 1718-1748). Besides the historical details of the country, it

contains very valuable biographical notices and extracts from the writings of the eminent Shaykhs, 'Ulama, and poets of Kashmir.

The work is divided into a Muqaddimah, three Qisms, and a Khâtimah, as follows:—

Muqaddimah.—Geographical description of Kashmir, fol. 4b.

Qism I.—Hindû Rajahs, fol. 10a.

Qism II.—Muhammadan rulers, fol. 35a.

Qism III.—Mugal emperors, from Akbar to Muhammad Shah, fol, 123b.

Khatimah,-Curiosities of Kashmir, fol. 240°.

Written in fair Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders. The MS, is in a damaged condition and is detached from the original binding. In several places the headings are wanting.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

(ii) BENGAL,

No. 82.

foll, 204; lines 15; size 91 x 51; 71 x 31.

رياض السلاطين RIYAD-US-SALĀŢĪN.

A special history of Bengal from the earliest times down to the conquest of that Province by the British, by Gulâm Ḥusayn, poetically surnamed Salim علم حسين المنتخلص به سليم (d. A.H. 1233 = A.D. 1817), who commenced the work in A.H. 1200 = A.D. 1786 and finished in the span of two years.

Beginning :-

The work is divided into four books (Raudahs) preceded by an Introduction which comprises the geography of Bengal with the connected accounts of its early Râjahs. The contents are fully stated on the last three folios of the copy.

It has been published in the Bibl. Ind. Series, Calcutta, 1891. An excellent translation of the work with valuable notes, by Maulawi 'Abd-us-Salām, was published, Calcutta, 1902.

Written in good Indian Nasta'liq within black-ruled borders with the headings in red. The MS, was transcribed by Iradat 'All of Bûhâr in 1874 for the donor of this library.

II. BIOGRAPHY.

(I) Saints.

No. 83.

foll. 329; lines 21; size 10×6 ; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

تذكوة الاولها

TADKIRAT-UL-AULIYA.

An old and exceedingly valuable copy of Farid-ud-Din 'Attar's of distinguished Ṣūfis, who belong mostly to the first three centuries of the Hijrah.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الجواد بالضل انواع المعماء المثل .

The present MS. comprises both the first and the second part of the work. A very excellent edition of the work (in two parts), by Prof. R. A. Nicholson, appeared in London, 1905 and 1907 (Persian Historical Texts, Vols. III and V.). Lithographed in Lahore, 1889 and 1891, and Bombay, A.H. 1321.

A complete index of the text has been added to the copy in a later hand. Additions, written in the same hand which wrote

the text, are occasionally found on the margin.

Written in a learned Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece and a double-paged 'Unwan.

Not dated, apparently 10th century of the Hijrah.

No. 84.

foll, 352; lines 19; size 10×7; 61×4.

نَفَعَاتُ الْأَنْسِ NAFAHĀT-UL-UNS.

An old and very correct copy of the famous Sufic biographical work, composed, A.H. 883 — A.D. 1478, by the celebrated Nur-ud-Din 'Abd-ur-Rahman Jami مور الدين عبد الرحمي جامي who was born in Jam, A.H. 817 — A.D. 1414 and died at Herat, A.H. 898 — A.D. 1492.

Beginning :-

التعمد لله الذي جعل مراثي قلوب اوليايه •

The Nafahât has been printed in Calcutta, 1859, with a biographical notice of the author, by W. Nassau Lees.

A complete index by the same hand which wrote the text, is given at the beginning of the copy. Additions and useful notes and explanations are occasionally found on the margin.

This valuable copy, written in learned Nasta'liq hand within gold-ruled borders, is dated Monday, the 13th of Şafar, A.H. 954.

. هندر بن مسكين علي استروشي -: Seribe

The colophon is followed by a long note in which it is said that this copy belonging to Nawwâb Amîr-ud-Daulah Intizâm-ul-Mulk Haydar Beg Khân Bahâdur Nuṣrat Jang, was collated and compared, 21st of Ramaḍân, A.H. 1200.

A seal of a certain noble (name illegible) of 'Alamgir's time is found on fol. 1a.

A finely illuminated (but slightly faded) frontispiece contains the title of the work written in a beautiful Naskh hand:—هذا كتاب موانا جامي.

No. 85.

foll. 247; lines 13; size $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{2}$.

حاشية نفحات الانس

HASHIYAH-I-NAFAHAT-UL-UNS.

A commentary on the words of doubtful reading and the difficult passages of Jámi's Nafahât, by 'Abd-ul-Gafûr Lâri عبد (d. A.H. 912 = A.D. 1506), the most eminent of Jâmi's disciples, who wrote it for Jâmi's son Diyâ-ud-Dîn Yûsuf in A.H. 896 = A.D. 1490.

Beginning:

سیاس و ستایش خدائی را که آئینهٔ دل دوستان خود را جلوه گاه جمال الو •

The first eight folios of the present MS, are written in a careless Ta'liq, the rest in fair Indian Ta'liq.

This copy, dated 10th Rabi I, A.H. 1287, was written by Hasib-ud-Din for the donor of this Library.

No. 86.

foll. 322; lines 17; size 101×61; 71×31.

رشعات دين الحيات

RASHAHAT-I-'AYN-UL-HAYAT.

Notices on the great and renowned Shaykhs of the Naqahbandi order, and especially on Khwajah Naṣir-ud-Din 'Ubayd-Ullah, better known as Khwajah Aḥrar (d. A.H. 893 — A.D. 1490), compiled A.H. 909 — A.D. 1503 by 'Ali bin Ḥusayn-ul-Wa'iz ul-Kashifi, ي علي بن حسين الواعظ الكاشفي ملقب به مغي is surnamed Ṣafi, who died in A.H. 939 — A.D. 1532.

Beginning:-

الحمد لمن رشح رشحات الحقائق و الحكم على قلوب العارفين بفيضة الاقدس الاقدم •

The work is divided into a Maqalah, three Maqads, and a Khatimah. Each Maqad is subdivided into three Faals.

Maqalah on fol. 3°. History of the different classes of the Naqahbandi Shaykhs with notices on their lives in chronological order.

Maqsad I on fol. 177b. Genealogy of Khwajah Ahrar, his birth (A H. 806), early life, journeys, high qualities, virtues, etc.

Maqsad II on fol. 211c. Sayings, spiritual remarks, and illustrations which the author received from Khwâjah Aḥrâr's own mouth.

Maqsad III on fol. 2492. Miracles and wonderful deeds performed by Khwajah Ahrar, with notices on the disciples by whom they were related.

Khātimah on fol. 318^b. Khwājah Ahrār's death, on Saturday the 29th of Rabi' I, A.H. 895 — 20th February, A.D. 1490 (not A.H. 893, as Rieu, p. 353, states), in his 89th year.

The text is followed by two blank folios after which a table of contents occupies three folios.

The colophon at the end says that the MS. was copied at the desire of Sayyid Sadr-ud-Dîn, 28th Jumâdâ I, A.H. 1286, by Mîr Irâdat 'Alî of Bûhâr. It is written in an elegant Nasta'lîq hand, with the headings in red.

Foll. 276-277 are detached from the original binding and foll.

2 and 3 (not numbered) are partly loosened,

No. 87.

pp. 447 (foll, 224); lines 17; size 13×8; 10×5.

جواهر فريدى JAWAHIR-I-FARÎDÎ

A rare and very elaborate and detailed work on the lives, miracles and spiritual teachings of some of the renowned saints of the Chishti order, compiled by 'Ali Asgar ibn Shaykh Maudûd ibn على اصغر ابن شيد Shaykh Muhammad Chishti Bidalawi Fathpuri على اصغر ابن It was completed . مودود ابن شيم محمد چشتي بيدالوي فتحيوري during the reign of Jahangir, on the 3rd of Rabi' I, A.H. 1033 -A.D. 1623 (cf. p. 3).

Beginning:-

حمدى كة منشيان باركاة الوهيت باقصم لسان و احسن مقال سرايفد مرملكي واسود النوه

The work is divided into five chapters each subdivided into several sections :-

I. Biography of the Prophet Muhammad-his wives, chil-

dren and the early Khalifs, on p. 4.

II. Khwajah Mu'in-ud-Din Chishti, Khwajah Qutb-ud-Din Bakhtiyar Ushi, Khwajah Farid-ud-Din Ganjshakar, Shaykh Najib-ud-Din Mutawakkil with a detailed account of their children, wives, and renowned Khalifahs and disciples, p. 162.

III. Zayn-ul-'Abidîn Chishtî, his wives, children, etc., p. 390.

IV. On the anniversaries (عوس) of Muhammad and some other prophets, the early Khalifs and some companions of the prophet, of some of the ancestors of the author with an account of his father's installation to the Chishti order, p. 415.

V. Children of Shaykh Sa'id Haji (cousin of Khwajah Farid Ganjshakar) and those of Shaykh 'Abd Ullah Gaffari,

better known as Shaykh-ul-Islâm, p. 434.

Written in careless Indian Ta'liq by Sayyid Abul Hasan.

Dated 3rd Muharram A.H. 1314. Additions and marginal corrections are found throughout the copy. A note at the end says that the copy was corrected and compared by Maulawi Khadim Husayn and Sayyid Madih-ur-Rahman of Bühar.

Two folios after p. 273 written in a bolder hand and bearing

the same page mark 273 have been lately added.

No. 88.

foll. 72; lines 12-14; size 91×61 ; 51×3 .

مراة مداري MIR'ĀT-I-MADĀRĪ.

A neat and correct copy of a very interesting and valuable work on the life of the popular Indian Saint Shah Madar, who, according to this work, was born in Syria, A.H. 715 — A.D. 1315 and died at Makanpur (India) on Thursday, the 18th of Jumada I, A.H. 840 — A.D. 1436, at the age of 125 years.

Beginning:-

الحمد الله الذي خلق الشياء وهُو عينها يعني شكر ميكويم من أن يروردكار عالميان را .

The author 'Abd-ur-Raḥmân Chishti b. 'Abd-ur-Rasūl b. Qāsim b. Shāh Budh 'Abbāsi ul-'Alawi عبد الرحل بي قام عبد الرحل عباسي العلوي says that the original name of Shāh Madār was Badī 'ud-Dīn. The name of Shāh Madār's father given here is Abu'l Ishāq Shāmī, and not 'Alī, a jew of Halab, as given in Rieu, i, p. 361. The author wrote this work close to the shrine of Shāh Madār in Makanpūr, A.H. 1064 — A.D. 1653.

A copy of the work is mentioned in Rieu, loc. cit. and another is preserved in the Bankipur Library. From a note on fol. 1s and another at the end in the handwriting of the donor it would appear that this copy was transcribed from the Bankipur Library copy and was subsequently corrected and compared with great

care by Maulawi Hasib-nd-Din and the donor himself,

A neat copy. Written in fair Indian Ta'liq. Dated, Sunday Rabi' I, A.H. 1304.

The date of the month is omitted.

Scribe: الدين احدد.

No. 89.

foll, 456; lines 17; Size 121×72; 82×5.

مراة الاسرار MIR'AT-UL-ASRAR.

A large collection of biographical notices on the holy Shaykhs who lived from the rise of Islamism to the author's time, by 'Abdur-Raḥmân, completed in A.H. 1065 — A.D. 1654.

Beginning:-

التحمد لله رب المشرق و المغرب فايضا .

Besides this work the author has left a detailed biographical account of Shah Madar, called Mir'at-i-Madari (see the preceding No. 88, a history of Salar Mas'ûd Gazi, entitled Mir'at-i-Mas'ûdî (see Elliot, Vol. II, p. 513), and translations of some gnostic poems from the Sanscrit (see Brit. Mus. Or. 1883).

The work is divided into a Muqaddimah and twenty-three Sections (Tabaqah). A very full index of the contents, with refer-

ence to pages, occupies foll, 13-16.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq with the headings in red. Dated Saturday, the 23rd of Baysakh, 1301 Bengali year.

From a note at the end it would appear that the MS, was corrected and compared by Maulawis Hasib-ud-Din and Khâdim Husayn.

(2) Poets.

No. 90.

foll. 221; lines 19; size 9×61; 61×31.

تذكوة الشعوا

TADKIRAT-USH-SHU'ARÂ.

A very old and exceedingly valuable copy of the well-known biography of Persian poets by Daulat Shâh bin 'Alâ ud-Daulah Bakhtishâh of Samarqand دولت شاء بن علاء الدوله بختيشاء مسرتندي (d. A.H. 900 — A.D. 1494), composed in A.H. 892 — A.D. 1487, and dedicated to Mir 'Alî Shîr Nawâ'i.

Beginning:-

تحمیدی که شاهبار بلند پرواز اندیشه باخت و فضلی آن طیران نثراند نمود .

A very excellent edition of the work with Prefaces and Indices, by Prof. E. G. Browne, appeared in London, 1901. 'Hammer's 'Schöne Redekünste Persiens' are chiefly based on this work. It is divided into an Introduction, seven Tabaqat and a Khatimah.

This copy, excellently written in learned Naskh, is dated Friday, the 17th of Jamadi I, A.H. 980. The colophon runs thus:—

ثمت الكتاب بعون الملك الوهاب في سبع و عشرة شهر جمادى الولى يوم الجمعة في بلدة كش دلكش على يد الضعيف الفحيف نيك الديش حلجى محمد درويش أبن شيخدرويش المعروف بالقشي سفة ٩٨٠ ه

Verses and poems from various poets have been added in a later hand on the margins of foll. 20b-83s and 221b.

The margins of foll. 16 and 2a have been newly repaired.

No. 91.

foll, 80; lines 15; size 9×51; 7×31.

كلبات الشعوا

KALIMAT-USH-SHU'ARA.

Biographies of Persian poets who flourished in India during the reigns of Jahangir, Shah Jahan and Aurangzib, by Mirza Muhammad Afdal with the poetical nom de plume Sarkhwush, سرا معمد انضل سرخوش who died at Dihli, A.H. 1127 or 1126 — A.D. 1715 or 1714.

Beginning:-

The title of the work is a chronogram for A.H. 1093 — A.D. 1682, the year in which the work was composed. It is also known as تذكرة عرض . The biographies are arranged in alphabetical order.

The MS, contains very many clerical mistakes.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq with the headings in red.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No 92.

foll. 352; lines 19; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

رياض الشعوا RIYĀD-USH-SHU'ARĀ.

A large biographical work containing notices of 2,496 ancient and modern Persian poets arranged in alphabetical order, by 'Ali Qull Dāģistānī with the takhalluş Wālih على قالي دانستاني المنشاني المنشاني المنشاني المنشاني (born A.H. 1124 — A.D. 1712 and died A.H. 1169 or 1170 — A.D. 1756 or 1757) who completed it in A.H. 1161 — A.D. 1748.

تذكرا مصفل خاطر قدس مآثر عاجيدال آگاء .

The Khâtimah (foll, 342%-352%) is devoted to an account of the author.

Written in ordinary Ta'liq within coloured ruled borders.

Dated A.H. 1191.

On the fly-leaf at the beginning is found the signature of J. H. Blochmann, dated 1875.

No. 93.

foll. 60; lines 18; size 111 × 71; 91 × 41.

رياض الاقتار RIYĀD-UL-AFKĀR.

Biographical notices of ancient and modern Persian poets. Composed, A.H. 1268 — A.D. 1852, by Wazir 'Ali, poetically called 'Thrati of 'Azimabad (Patna) عظيم أبادي عظيم. Beginning:—

ربيا عدار عدراي منشأت را غاوة بيرائي نموس الم .

The names of the poets are arranged in alphabetical order. Written in modern Indian Nasta'liq. Dated 29th Ramadan, A.H. 1282.

(3) Philosophers.

No. 94.

foll. 57; lines 27; size 82 × 51; 62 × 4.

تذكرة الحكما TADKIRAT-UL-HUKAMÂ.

This treatise, which in an endorsement on the fly-leaf at the beginning bears the above title, contains the lives and precepts of the ancient philosophers and wise men.

A fragment of this work is mentioned in Rieu ii., p. 872.

Beginning like Rieu's copy :-

خبر اللاطون و آداب او ... معذي اللاطون بزيان يوذلن باشد بسيار علم پر مذفعت است النج ... -

ترجمة تاريخ الحكما which, according to Ethé (Ind. Office Lib. Cat. No. 614), was translated for Jahangir by Maqsúd 'Ali of Tabriz مقصود على تبريزي in A H. 1011 — A.D. 1602, from the Tarikh-ul-Hukama of Shams-ud-Din Muhammad Suhrawardi. Like Ethé's copy, the section on the ancient philosophers (which end here on fol. 36°) is followed by the biographies of the Muhammadan philosophers, beginning exactly with the same words:—

Written in ordinary Nasta'llq with the headings in red.
Several seals of the later kings of Oudh are found at the
beginning and end of the copy. Two more seals bearing the inscription براعدای دین شد مظفر حصین are also fixed at the beginning and
end of the copy.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

(4) Memoirs and Travels.

No. 95.

foll. 389; lines 15; size 91×6; 71×4.

تحفة العالم

TUHFAT-UL-ALAM.

This is an autograph copy of 'Abd-ul-Latif bin Abi Talib bin Nur-ud-Din bin Ni'mat Ullah ul-Husayni ul-Mûsawi ul Shûshtari's عبد الطيف بن ابي طالب بن نور الدين بن نعمت الله العسيني العرسوي عبد اللطيف بن ابي طالب بن نور الدين بن نعمت الله العسيني العرسوي Tuhfat-ul-'Alam, dealing with an account of the author's native town Shûshtar and its neighbouring places; biographical notices on the Nûri Sayyids from their ancestor Sayyid Ni'mat Ullah to the author's time; the author's life and his journeys to Shîrâz, Kirmân, Shâhân, Bagdâd, Başrah, Bengal, Lucknow, Haydarâbâd, together with an account of Europe and America and the origin and progress of the British power in India, and a description of Calcutta, Bengal, the Upper Provinces and Haydarâbad,

Beginning:

دائش صغيري كه عندليب دستان سرايي خامه نغمه برداري الم

The author, who according to his own statement on fol. 1125 was born in A.H. 1172 — A.D. 1759, says in the colophon, fol. 3895, that he completed this work at Haydarābād in Jumādā I., A.H. 1214 — A.D. 1799. For further particulars see Rieu i., p. 383, where a copy of the work is described.

The work has been lithographed in Bombay, A.D. 1847. The colophon runs thus on fol. 389a:—

حررة المفتل الى رحمة رب الباري عبد اللطيف بن ابي طالب الموسوي الشوستري الجزايري عفي عنهما في اراسط جميدى الاولى منه ١٢١٣ في حيدر آباد .

Written in fair Nasta'liq with the headings in red, spaces for which have been left blank in some places.

Eight blank folios (foll. 327-334) have been inserted by a later hand.

No. 96.

foll, 343; lines 21; size $9 \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3$.

مرآت الاحوال جهان نما MIR'AT-UL-AHWAL-1-JAHAN NUMA.

Memoirs of the author's forefathers, and of his life and travels. The author Ahmad bin Muhammad 'Ali bin Muhammad Bāqir ul-Isfahānī better known as al-Bahbahānī با عمد علي العبالي was born in Kirmān Shāhān, A.H. 1191 — A.D. 1777, came to India A.H. 1220 — A.D. 1805 and finally settled in Patna, where he wrote this work, according to the colophon of the present copy in Rabi' I, A.H. 1225 — A.D. 1810.

The work is preceded by a full summary of the contents,

occupying foll. 16-15s and beginning thus:-

The work itself begins thus on fol. 165:-

It is divided into five books (Matlab), the last of which com-

prises three sections (Maqsad), and of a Khatimah:

The first four Matlabs are devoted to the account and biographical notices of the author's ancestors who belonged to the famous Majlisi family of Persia, beginning with Maulana Muhammad Taqi bin Maqaud 'Ali Majlisi (d. A.H. 1070 — A.D. 1659) and ending with Aqa Muhammad Baqir bin Aqa Muhammad Akmal Isfahani and his descendants.

The fifth Matlab, which contains the author's memoirs and forms the most interesting part of the work, is divided into the following three Magsads:—

Maqsad L.—The author's life from his birth to his landing in

Bombay in Safar, A.H. 1220 - A.D. 1805, with an account of his journeys to Bagdad, Kazimayn, Hillah, Najaf, Qum, Barûjard,

Nahawand, Hamadan, Kashan, etc., on fol 63b.

Magsad II.—The author's life in Hindustan. Description of Hindustan and the Deccan with an account of the Subahs, fol. 88a. Festivals, rites, manners and customs of the Hindus, e.g. the Rat Jatra, the Devali, the Dasahra, the Holi, the Basant, the Charak Pûjah, the Sati, etc., on fol. 896. Account of Pegû, fol. 1066. The author's stay in Bombay, fol. 1076. Journey to Haydarabad, fol. 1119. Account of Haydarabad, fol. 1129. The author's illness at Haydarabad, fol. 1155. Account of the Nizam, fol. 1170. Mission of Muhammad Nabi Khan to Haydarabad and of Mahdi 'Ali Khan and Sir John Malcolm to Persia, fol. 1226. Arrival of Haji Khalil Khân in Bombay and his murder, fol. 1246. Mirza Muhammad Husayn and Sayyid Hasan 'Attar's arrival in Haydarabad, fol. 1260. The author's stay in Machhli Bandar, fol. 126b. The author's arrival in Calcutta, fol 128a. His journey to Murshidabad and an account of the place, fol. 131b. 'Azimābād, fol. 142a. Sasrām, fol. 1466. Benares, fol. 1480. Faydabad, fol. 1516. Lucknow, fol. 1636. Account of the Sikhs, fol. 1906. The author's return to Faydabad, fol. 194s. His journeys to 'Azīmābad, Murshidabad and Jahangirnagar, fol. 1996. His return to 'Azimabad, fol. 2099. The author's compositions and the teaching licenses (اجازت) which he obtained from the 'Ulama, fol. 213b.

Maqsad III.—Account of the states of Europe, of the history, institutions and manners of the English and of the establishment of the British power in Bengal, fol. 218^b. The Khātimah on fol. 312^b treats of admonitions and good advices to kings and men in authority, including a sketch of Persian history from the decline of

the Safawis to the author's time.

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq with the headings in red on the

margins.

The scribe Mirzâ Ahmad says that he completed the transcription at Patna in A.H. 1225 (the year in which the author completed the work). A note by one Gulâm Husayn says that the author gave him this MS. in A.H. 1226. This is followed by a seal of the same Gulâm Husayn bearing the inscription as a seal of the same Gulâm Husayn bearing the inscription of this Gulâm Husayn are found on the margins of the copy.

III. GEOGRAPHY, COSMOGRAPHY AND TOPOGRAPHY.

No. 97.

foll. 296; lines 15; size 11×74; 62×4.

عجائب المخلوقات وغواقب الموجودات

A very valuable and extremely rare cosmographical work, composed in the beginning of the latter half of the sixth century A.H. Beginning:—

This work, of which I have seen no notice anywhere else, is one of the earliest Persian works on cosmography and is therefore of considerable interest. The following particulars regarding the work and the author, who does not give his name anywhere in the text, are derived exclusively from the work itself:—

On an ornamented blue ground in the beautifully illuminated head-piece the title of the work written in gold letters is المخلوقات , but in the preface, on fol. 3°, the full title of the work as given by the author himself is عجائب المخلوقات و غرائب المخلوقات و غرائب

و ما این کتاب را تالیف کردیم که نه هر کسی را مکنت آن بود که در آفاق گردد تا آتیه ندیده بیند رما عجالب عالم انجه دیده و انجه شنیده یاد کنیم و ریرا نام کنیم عجالب المخلوقات و غرائب الموجودات .

From a passage on fol, 7^b we learn that the author wrote the work for Tugʻril bin Arslan bin Tugʻril whose name he introduces with several honorific titles;—

سلطان اعظم شهدشاه معظم مالک الرقاب الامم سید السلاطین المشرق و المغرب رکن الدنیای و الدین معز السلام و المسلمین جمال الملة و الدین ابوطالب طغرل بن ارسلان بن طغرل امیر المؤمنین اعز الله انصاره و ضاعف جلاله و اقتداره ما

This royal personage is evidently Sultan Tugʻril bin Arslan (A.H. 571-590 — A.D. 1175-1193), the last of the Saljuqian monarchs of Persia.

The last dates mentioned in the work are (1) Under Nishapur on fol. 1316, where the author says that the city was devastated by the Guzz in A.H. 550 — A.D. 1155; (2) he refers to an earth-quake, إلزاءً كرهستان, on fol. 161c which took place in his time, A.H. 551 — A.D. 1156:—

و در روزگار ما در سفه احدى و خمسين و خمساية وازلة آمد بكوهستان هفت روز بماند .

On fol, 132b he deals at some length with Hamadan: He speaks of the place with a certain predilection and relates some stories from his father and his teacher المرابعة الله عليه. Again on fol, 9a he says that a man who has spent his whole life in the place where he was born may not necessarily know every thing that can be known about the locality, and cites the following incident. He relates that on one occasion when he was in Isfahan a certain person wanted from him some particulars of the inscription on the Arwand Mountain الموقد (a mountain in Hamadan noticed by our author on fol. 63b). In reply the author said that he had no knowledge whatever of the existence of such an inscription. Subsequently when he came to Hamadan he went to the mountain, saw the inscription and was surprised with its curiosities:—

و باشد که مردسی در شهر زاید و عمر وی بگذرد و همه شهر خود آدیده
باشد و در وقتی من به اصفهان بودم شخصی از من پرسید که بر طح اروند
چند سطر نبشته گدایان خوانند تو دیدهٔ گفتم این را خبری ندارم کتابی
معتبر بدر آورد و دران این صفت کرده بود و شرحی داده شگفت و چون
بهدان بیامدم بمقصد برقتم و آفرا بدیدم شگفتی که دیدنش عجب تر بود
از شنیدن •

This points to the author's having been a native of Hamadan. The above facts point to the conclusion that our anonymous author was born before A.H. 551 — A.D 1156 and that he wrote this work entitled عجائب المخارتات و غرائب المرجودات for Sulfan Tugril III bin Arslân between A.H. 571 and 590 — A.D. 1175 and 1193.

An anonymous treatise of about 52 folios, called رحاك عجائب which seems to bear a close relation with the present work, is noticed by Dr. Ethé, in the Bodl. Lib. Cat. No. 405. The beginning of the said treatise is quite different from that of the present work, but the subject headings, as much as enumerated in the said catalogue, closely agree with those of this work. We learn that the division of Dr. Ethé's copy is not quite clear and that the headings are very often omitted. Strangely, the division in this copy is also vague and confusive, but the headings here are seldom omitted and the more important ones will be quoted.

Like Ethé's copy our work begins with wonderful stories from the lives of Iskandar, Luqman, Jamshid, etc.; then follows the index of the work in beginning with which the author says that the work is divided into ten Qanuns and ten Rukn which are

enumerated here, foll. 95-105.

و ما فهرست کتاب یاد کنیم انشاء الله تعالی بدانکه این کتاب بر ده قانونست و ده رکن ه

The first Rukn on superlunary things begins thus on fol. 10b.

الوكن الأول في عجائب الجوام العلوية .

This Rukn comprises several chapters (باب) each of which consists of several sub-headings. It begins with an account of the Throne of God and the first four angels, the last of whom, viz. fol. 149. This is , الباب الثاني is noticed under the heading الباب الثاني eto. خاصيت هر دو قطبها ر مواضع روحانيات followed by the headings after which we suddenly come to الباب الثالث في عجائب السيوات fol. 18a. The fourth Bab is not found. الباب الشامس في عجالب الباب : fol. 27ª; الباب السادس في عجائب الكواكب : fol. 25º القمر fol. 300; this is followed by the heading , العاب الول في أصولة الركن الثَّاني في العجائب التعاريَّة بين السماء والارض treating of the light الباب الثاني في عجاكب النيران علوية : fol. 34ª ning, the thunder, the rainbow, etc., fol. 37°; الباب الثالث في . fol. 420, الباب الخامس في عجالب السعاب ; fol. 38b; البوي المؤمن Then comes the third Rukn on the sublunary things, agreeing with the second Rukn of Ethe's copy :- الوكن الثالث في عجائب الرض fol. 44s. It contains many subdivisions, the first of which (heading wanting), treating of the rivers, is, like all the following ones, arranged alphabetically. Other important subdivisions under الباب الرابع في ; fol. 570 , فصل الحرى في عجالب الابار this Rukn are الباب الخامس في عجائب الجبال على الصروف ; fol. 596 , عجائب العالم . fol. 700 , الباب السادس في عجالب المعادن والجواهر : fol. 620 , المعجم

The seventh Bab is not found. الباب الدّامي fol. 81°, introduced by the following explanatory note (صخرتها) معداني ياد كنيم صحراها (صخرتها) وبعد ازين ياد كنيم صحراها (صخرتها) وبدال كني مناب بود يا حكمتي مفيد

The above is followed by a description of mosques, churches, cities, etc., all arranged in alphabetical order, agreeing with the contents of the third Rukn in Ethé's copy. These are الباب الرل العاب الثالث ; fol. 880 , باب دور در كنيسا اهلَّ سلف : fol. 840 , في البساجد العاب الرابع في القصور و هو سرتب على : fol. 91° , في البلاد والقلاع والاقاليم الوكن التخامس في عجائب fol. 1366, Then follows, حروف المعجم الركن السادس في عجائب الصور :fol. 161° , الشجار والنبات في العالم fol. 1826, followed , في ذكر القبور وعجايبها ; fol. 1750 , المنقورة المنقوشة by an account of كنوز or treasures (heading wanted), fol. 1926; ; fol. 2040 , تقسيم الارواح ; fol. 1994 , الركن السابع في شرف الآدمي و عجائب fol, 2050 and several ,في فصل الروح في الجسد , 601, 2060 and several رقى ذكر القوى Then follows والمام other headings relating to the soul. Then follows fol. 210°, after which the author treats of the five senses, fol. 210b; ياب في طبقات الفاس و اخلاقهم وصورهم : fol. 2180 ,ذكر طبايع الفسا و اخلاقهن fol. 2226; under this section the following subject headings are : fol. 224°; صفت العوج ; fol. 223°; فكو الامم العادية الطوال الاقويا–found ذكر النا : fol. 225% , ألعادى السرنديدي : fol. 225% , ذكر شخص عادى ; fol. 2260 ,ذكر العادى الصيفي ; fol. 2260 ,العاديات من جنود استندر ذكر ; fol. 227% , ذكر الآدمين في كل زمان منهم ; fol. 227% , العادى الاقلي ياب في السودان والهنود ; fol. 229% etc. ذكر رجل الابلق ; fol. 229% , الخضر : fol. 2360 , فصل في ذكر النسناس فيه : fol. 2340 , والزنوج و أمهم المختلفه في شرف الذبي المرسل معمد ; fol. 2370 . في ذكر الأدمى و درجاته ; fol. 2400 . في ذكر الله عليه و اله وسلم ; fol. 2400 . ألم عليه و اله وسلم , في كرامات الوليا و جوازها : 444° fol. 244° . ذكر المعجزات الانبيا عليه الصلوة والسلام fol. 2456; منى ذكر الكيميا و انه صنعت روحانيه , fol. 2466. There seems to be a lacuna after fol. 2476. Fol. 248a opens abruptly with an account of the animal kinds, followed by the headings خاصية السد, , خاصية النبر : fol. 250% , صفت الفيد ; fol. 250% , خاصية الذب ; fol. 248% , خاصية النبر fol. 2526; كافية ألكلب , fol. 2540; باكل , fol. 2546; باكل صفت دب الاصغر والاكبر: fol. 257a , خاصية خرس : fol. 2566 , المعرى نى ;.fol. 263° , خامية العمار ; fol. 261° , خامية الغرس ; 508. 258° , باب في ذكر الافاعي والثعابين والتعيات ; fol. 2700 etc. etc. خاصية الثعلب fol. 2806; under this section the author deals with the account of

the various species of the sea animals. فصل في السنوم, fol. 2846, with the headings; خاصية العقرب, fol. 2856; فصل مفت النصل إلى fol. 2886, etc.; فصل في ذكر الجن وهم الطف من الإبالسة; fol. 2886, etc.; فصل في ذكر الجن

In the beginning on fol. 86 the author gives us to understand that the accounts given by him are always marked by some abbreviative symbols, viz. به for معرزف for معرزف for معرزف:—

وما ابن كتاب جمع كرديم انهه ديديم در كنبها محطور و شنيديم از جوالان وسيلمان بعضى آنست كه آنرا شاهدى نبايد و ظاهرست چذانكه افلاك ومالا كه از همه عجائبهاى عظيم است بر حاشية آن رقم كردم بع يعني بعيد ست و بعضى كه قران بدان ناطقست و اخبار نا محسوس است برآن رقم كرديم مع يعني معروست و بعضى از عجائب كه شنيده ايم ارسيلمان و بران برهانى نديديم قاطع و ننوان گفتن كه دروغست بر حاشية آن رقم كرديم شب يعني شبهت است كه آن كار كردن خصاتى شومست و المجائب المخلوقات علمي شبهت است كه آن كار كردن خصاتى شومست و بجائب المخلوقات 188, notices a Persian work of the same title بعجائب المخلوقات 188, notices a Persian work of the same title برده قانونست و اركان المخلوقات These symbols are however not found in the text. Haj. Khal. iv, و 188, notices a Persian work of the same title برده قانونست و اركان These Salmani, which like the present is divided into ten Qânûns and Arkân و اركان The beginning of Hâj. Khalifah's work is however different from that of the present copy.

Half-page miniatures are found in many places of the copy, but the average of the pictures does not stand on the highest level of Eastern art, though some of them are executed carefully. They are to be found on foll:—11^b, 17^b, 31^a, 33^b, 43^b, 50^b, 65^a, 78^b, 82^a, 95^b, 101^b, 134^a, 139^a, 148^b, 173^a, 202^b, 213^a, 224^b, 246^a, 277^b, 293^b.

Each page containing the miniature, with its opposite page, is beautifully illuminated.

Written on thick and glossy gold-sprinkled papers in a clear Nasta'liq within gold and coloured borders with a double page, beautifully illuminated 'Unwan. The headings are written in red and blue throughout.

Dated Muharram, A.H. 125, evidently meaning 1025.

Scribe :- محمد قاسم.

The MS, though written in a clear hand is full of clerical mistakes.

No. 98.

foll. 301; lines 21; size 11×61; 71×32.

نزهة القلوب

NUZHAT-UL-QULUB.

A slightly defective copy of the famous cosmographical work, treating more especially of the geography of Persia and some adjacent countries, by Hamd Ullah bin Abi Bakr bin Hamd ul-Mustaufi ul-Qazwini حمد الله بي أبي بكر بن حمد المستوني القرريذي (d. A H. 750 — A.D. 1349), who has been already mentioned, p. 1, as the author of the Tārikh-i-Guzidah. It was composed most probably A.H. 740 — A.D. 1339, which year in the body of the work is more than once mentioned as the current year.

The work is divided into a Fatihah, three Maqalahs and a Khatimah. This copy wants the whole of the preface which precedes the Fatihah, and begins at once with the Fatihah thus:—

فاتحه و آن منحصر است بر مقدمه و دیباچه و سه مقاله - مقدمه و دیباچه و سه مقاله - مقدمه و در در در در ترتیب ابداع افلاک و انجم و ما یتعلق بذالک الع with line 11, fol. 60 of the following copy.

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece. Foll. 15 and 2° are written within broad gold lines. The headings, including the geographical names, and the Arabic quotations, are written in red. Several seals of the late kings of Oudh are found at the beginning and the end of the copy.

Not dated, apparently 17th century

No. 99.

foll, 240; lines 19; size 11 × 7; 7 × 5.

THE SAME.

Another copy of the preceding work. Beginning as usual:—

چوں واهب مواهب بی علت علت کلمته که مبدع مخترعات ر مخترع مبدعاتست الع .

This copy is slightly defective towards the end and breaks off with the following line :-

چه کم گردد گر او دریایی رحمت ، که یک قطره کذی بر خلق قسمت

corresponding with line 10, fol. 301a of the preceding copy.

Written in distinct Indian Nasta'liq with occasional notes on the margins. The headings and the names of places are written in red.

Foll 132-162 are supplied in a later hand.

Foll. 1585, 1590 and 1615 and the lower parts of foll. 1580, 1600 and 1610 are left blank, but the text is not affected.

Dated A.H. 192, meaning probably 1092.

No. 100.

foll. 583; lines 20; size 112 × 6; 8 × 4.

هفت اقليم

HAFT IQLÎM.

A topographical, historical and biographical encyclopaedia, containing 1,560 biographics of Poets, Shaykhs and 'Ulama arranged in geographical order, by Amin Ahmad Razî امين احمد رازي who completed it in A.H. 1002 — A.D. 1594.

Beginning :-

The work is divided into seven climates. Under each country or town the author gives the historical and the geographical account of the place followed by the biographical sketches of the distinguished Poets, 'Ulama and Saints to whom it has given birth.

Contents:—First Iqlim, fol. 40. Second, fol. 14a. Third, fol. 42b. Fourth, fol. 205a. Fifth, fol. 480a. Sixth, fol. 556a.

Seventh, fol. 579a.

The work is being published by the Asiatic Society of Bengal in the Bibl. Indica Series.

The present copy is full of clerical mistakes, particularly the proper names of persons and places and the Arabic passages which are most terribly corrupt. Towards the end of the copy is found a big worm-hole which runs through the middle part of foll. 526-583.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq within coloured borders

with an illuminated frontispiece.

The copy was written by Gulam Husayn, a pupil of Hafiz. Azīm Ullah, for a person whose name has been obliterated by some mischievous hand.

Not dated, apparently 19th century. The binding of the MS, is damaged.

No. 101.

foll, 136; lines 21; size 8 × 51; 6 × 4.

اخبار حسينه در اخبار مدينه

AKHBAR-I-HASINAH DAR AKHBAR-I-MADINAH.

History and topography of Madinah, a Persian translation of Samhūdi's (d. A.H. 911 — A.D. 1505) well-known Arabic work فالمنافع المنافع المنافع المنافع المنافع المنافع which extract from his larger work وناد الرفي باخبار دار المصطفى was made by Samhūdi himself, A H. 893 — A.D. 1488.

The Persian translator's name is not mentioned anywhere.

It is divided, like the Arabic original, into eight chapters, each subdivided into several sections, comp. Wiener Jahrbücher, 1835, Vol. 70, Anzeigeblatt, p. 88.

This copy, which is defective at both the ends, opens abruptly

in the middle of the preface thus:-

and breaks off towards the end of the last chapter with the following words:—

Written in fair Naskh with the headings and the names of

places in red.

Folios have been misplaced in several places; for instance the arrangement of the folios between foll. 17-25 is 17, 24, 18, 23, 19-22, 25; fol. 43 is placed after fol 44; foll. 127-129 are detached from the binding. The MS. is slightly worm-eaten throughout. A portion of the upper marginal sides of foll, 121-130 is badly injured.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 102

foll, 583; lines 21; size 11×81; 9×51.

خورهين جهان نما KHWURSHID-I-JAHAN NUMA.

An autograph copy of a very exhaustive, interesting and hitherto unknown geographical, historical and biographical enoyelopaedia, from the earliest period to A.H. 1280 — A.D. 1863, by Ilâhî Bakhah nl-Ḥusayni الهي بخش العصيني of Angrīzābād in Māldah.

Beginning:-

In the preface (fol. 175) the author states that after completing the work اقلم بلاغت in A.H. 1268 — A.D. 1851 and the اقلم بلاغت in A.H. 1269 — A.D. 1852 he commenced to write the present work in A.H. 1270 — A.D. 1853 for which the title forms a chronogram. In a subscription at the end of the copy the author gives us to understand that he commenced the composition in the beginning of A.H. 1270 and completed it after eleven years' labour in A.H. 1280 — A.D. 1863. He promises to write an account of the succeeding years in a separate work.

The work is divided into twelve chapters called Burj, as follows:

I. Creation of the Universe, fol. 18b.

II. America, fol. 19a.

III. Africa, fol. 226.

IV. Europe, fol. 26^b.
V. Asia, fol. 43^b.

VI. Australasia and Polinisia, fol. 427a.

Under each country or town the author gives a geographical and historical account of the locality from the earliest period to the time of composition. The Indian portion of the work, which is comparatively more exhaustive, is treated with minute details.

VII. Prophets, fol. 4335.

VIII. Ancient philosophers, fol. 4526.

IX. Saints, Poets and renowned persons, arranged in chronological order, fol. 4536.

X. History of the different Sufi schools, fol. 546b.

XI. Buildings of great architecteral importance, fol. 567a.

XII. Account of the author—his relatives, ancestors, etc., fol. 579a.

A detailed index of the contents occupies the first fifteen folios of the copy.

Additions and emendations made by the author himself are found throughout the copy.

Written in a hasty but learned Indian Nasta'liq with the headings in red.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

IV. THEOLOGY AND LAW.

(1) Hinduism.

No. 103.

foll. 232; lines 21; size 131×9; 101×61.

ترجة مها بهارت TARJUMAH-I-MAHÂBHÂRAT.

A defective and incomplete copy of the Persian translation of the Mahabharat, made by Akbar's order under the auspices of his prime minister Abul Fadl, who wrote an introduction to the work in A.H. 995 = A.D. 1587.

Beginning:-

Out of the eighteen Parvas into which the entire work is divided, this volume contains the following:-

Abul Fadl's preface, on fol. 15.

Fol. 10^b is followed by a lacuna and the earlier portion of the first Parva is thus missing.

Parva II (styled i, on fol. 850.

ان دویم از کتاب مها بهارت که آنرا جدما پرب گویند و درین پرب دو هزار و یاده در دارده اشلوک است .

تمام شد سبها 1036 The Second Parva which ends thus on fol. 1036 برب برب دویم است در هزار و پانصد و یازده اشلوک است بتاریخ ۲۴ رمضان is followed by Parva III beginning without any heading:—

راوبان اخبار این قصه را چنین روایت کرده اند ه

The remaining portion of the MS., which apparently comprises

Parvas IV-VII, does not bear any headings or rubrication and the copy breaks off with the words:—

اندر گفت که تو یکی از دشمناترا که این صفت داشته باشد خواهی کشت اما آنکس را .

The folios are misplaced in several places and the right order seems to be:—1-107, 109, 108, 110, 111-168, 173-176, 169-172, 177-232.

The MS., written in different hands, is water-stained throughout. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 104.

foll. 199; lines 15; size 9×51; 7×31.

THE SAME.

This volume, containing the 12th and 13th Parvas of the Persian translation of the Mahabharat, is introduced by the heading in red آغاز في دوازدهم از مها بهارت

Beginning:-

راويان اخبام هذدرستان جنين أوردةاند كه بدر رسنجي وغيرة بفرسود الم .

آمام شد سات (سنانت) پرب از کتاب مها بهارت ۱t ends thus on fol. 73 نمام شد سات (سنانت) پرب از کتاب مها بهارت « after which the 13th Parva begins thus:—

راويان اخبار ابي كتاب جنين آورده أند .

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq. Worm-eaten in some places. Not dated, 18th century.

No. 105.

foll, 154; lines 16; size 9×5½; 7½×4½.

THE SAME.

The 14th and 15th Parvas of the preceding work. Beginning:—

آغاز من چهاردهم از جمله هجده پرب مها بهارت که راجه جدشتر درین داستان اسمید جگ کرده است - در آخر پرب آن ساتیک مذکور شده که راجه جدشتر =

The 15th Parva begins thus on fol. 141a:-

بیاس اسرم پرب نن پانزدهم از مها بهارت که بعد از نمام نمودن راجه جدشتر اسعید جگ بقام آمده - راوپان اخبار هندرستان چنین روایت کرده اند که چون جیمی قصهٔ اسید جگ را نمام براجه جنم جی -

This Parva seems to be incomplete and the MS. breaks off with the words ... همرالا ایشان می باشند اینها هم از فرزندان خود ...

Written in careless Indian Ta'liq. In many places the contents are written diagonally.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 106.

foll, 416; lines 15; size 101 × 71; 81 × 41.

ترجنهٔ جوگ باششت

TARJUMAH-I-JOGBASHISHT.

A Persian version, by an unknown translator, of Valmiki's Sanskrit work Yogavasishtha on Hindû gnosticism, in the form of a dialogue between the Rishî Varishtha and Ramchandra, taken from the abridged version of a Kashmîrî Pandit, variably called Anandan (Rieu, I., p. 61a), Bahandan (Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. Cat. No. 1971), but in our copy بندت کشمیری ابیه نندن نام که صاحب انتخاص بشیشت است

Beginning:-

بعد استت بجناب فيضماب شبى كوبند كوبال كه الطاف و افضال أن •

It is divided into the following six Prakaranas (پرگري) cf. fol. 56

Vairāgya-Prakarana (بيواك پركرن).

- 2. Mumkshuvyavahara-Prakarana (معتبه بركري), fol. 446.
- Utpatti-Prakarana (اتيت پركرن), fol, 58a.
- 4. Sthiti-Prakarana (not marked in the text).
- Upasama-Prakarana (ايشم برارس), on fol. 146a.
- Nirvana-Prakarana (نربال پرکري), on fol. 250°.

اچهواک The MS. breaks off in the beginning of the sub-division اچهواک اله belonging to the sixth Prakarana, with the following words:
خاطر او را هیسچگونه خواهش و آرزو نباشد بدیدن صورت او خرسندی و آرام...

No. 107.

foll, 407; lines and size same as above.

Continuation of the preceding volume, beginning with the words:—

و آرام و تسكينها با ياد پرم اتما پرم ايشر الم .

The sixth Prakarana ends on fol, 19a after which begins a chapter of the Mahabharat called here المبيدة برب (cf. fol. 222a), beginning:—

راویان هذد و عالمان ارجمدد چنین روایت میكندد .

Foll. 222a-235b. This section deals with the discourse between Krishna and Arjûna. It is styled here the discourse between portion of the Bhagavadgita, which was interpolated as an episode in the sixth Parva of the Mahābhārat, viz. the Bhishma Parva. According to a note in Ethé, India Office Lib. No. 1949, the Bhagavadgitā was translated by Prince Dārā Shikûh. Dr. Rieu, p. 59, notices two versions of the Gitā, both ascribed to Abul Faḍl. The present translator does not give his name.

Begins thus :-

این فسطهٔ گیان مالا جواب و سوال شري کرشن جیو (ر) ارجی که شکهدیو با راجه پریچهیت میگوید

Foll. 235-251. سر اکبر the Upanishads or Upnakhats (called here او پنگهت نرسنگهه تابنی) compiled and translated from Sanskrit under the auspices of Prince Dara Shikûh and finished A.H. 1067

— A.D. 1657. It is also styled سرّ الاسرار. Beginning:—

همه فرشتها به پرجابیت گفتند که آنجائی که از هر اطیف اطیف تر است ه

Foll. 251-285b. An abridged prose-translation of Vålmiki's Råmåyana, the second great national epopee of the Hindus.

The translator's name does not appear in the text, and the narrative begins at once without any preface:—

Foll. 251a 407a هربنس پرلي Haribansa Purana. A Persian translation of the Harivansa, which forms an appendix, (or even a nineteenth Parva, sometimes styled اچارج پرب or اچرج پرب cf. fol. 400a), to some copies of the Mahabharat. It begins with the account of the Râm Avatâra.

قصل در ذکر رام اوتار چون سابقا مذکور شد که دعای در باسا و کهیشر النج • . ترجیهٔ هریفس پران تمام شد-: The copy ends Both the copies are written in ordinary Indian Taliq by one scribe, whose name given at the end of the second copy is .

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

(2) Exposition of the Truth, Rights and Duties of Islâm according to the various Sects and Doctrines.

No. 108.

foll. 75; lines 20-21; size $10 \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

حيرة الغتها

HAYRAT-UL-FUQAHA.

A work in the form of questions and answers on points of Muhammadan civil and ecclesiastical law in all its branches.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين و الصلوة و السلام على النبياء أدم و محمد و ما بينهما من المرسلين النو ...

The full name of the author is not given. On fol. 2b he designates himself as Alâ Bukhârî, and says that he wrote the work, A.H. 695 = A.D. 1295, for Nawrûz Beg (cf. fol. 1b). C. Stewart, p. 153, says that the author is unknown and that the work is dedicated to Naṣīr-ud-Dawlah of Khurāsān, A.D. 1295.

In the Catalogue of the Persian Books and Manuscripts in the A.S.B., p. 5, No. AC. 15, the author is called مفني بخاري, Mufti-i-Bukhari. In the present copy (fol. 3°), which is written by a most careless and illiterate scribe, the title of the work reads thus: عمرة الفقه و حصله الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و الفقه و معلم الفقه و معلم الفقه و الفق

Written in careless Nasta'liq. Foll. 26-49 are written in a

The colophon says that the transcription, completed on the 16th of Jumådå I, A.H. 1247, was made by order of Mirzå Muḥammad Radī-ud-Dîn 'Alī bin Mirzå Muḥammad Khurram Bakht.

The MS. is mended and bordered in several places.

No. 109.

foll. 407; lines 17; size 101 × 7; 71 × 41.

كنز العباد في شرح الاوراد

KANZ-UL-UBBAD FÎ SHARH-IL-AURAD.

A copious commentary on the religious manual (الرزاد) of the celebrated Shihāb-ud-Dîn Suhrawardi (d. A.H. 632 — A.D. 1234), by 'Alî bin Ahmad ul-Gûrî على العبد الغرزي. See Hāj. Khal. V., p. 254. See also Loth. Arab. Cat. No. 363, where a copy of the work is noticed.

Beginning as in Loth., loc. cit.:-

اعظم المحامد لله العظيم و اكرم الصلواة على رسوله الكويم النع .

The author, who calls himself a disciple of Shaykh Rukn-ud-Din, says in the concluding lines, fol. 388a, that he completed the work in Shawwal, A.H. 747 = A.D. 1346.

The original work is in Persian but the commentary is in Arabic.

The work is divided into numerous Fasls and Dikrs and a detailed index of the contents with reference to the folios of the MS, on which each Fasl or Dikr begins, occupies foll 4045-4065.

Written in a hasty but learned Naskh with notes and emendations throughout the copy. According to the colophon on fol. 388s, the transcription of the MS, was commenced on the 25th Rabi' II, A.H. 1072, and completed on Friday, 21st Shawwâl of the same year. It is also stated here that this MS, was transcribed from an old copy, dated A.H. 842, which was in the use of Shaykhul-Islām Maulānā Qādī Badī' ud-Din.

جعفر بن قاضي عبد الرشيد بن داؤد بن محمد بن ركن الدين -: Scribe بن ميذا ابوالمكارم بن حسام الدين بن امام الدين بن ركن الدين بن حسين بن صلاح بن داؤد بن احمد بن محمد

A note on the margin here, in the handwriting of the scribe, says that the notes of this MS. were completed on 12th Dulqa'd, A.H. 1072.

The original work is followed by a tract on the daily prayers, entitled مقصود المصلين, by Muṣaffar bin Ḥasan bin Mubārik 'Uṣ-māni مظفر بن حسن بن مبارك عثماني, beginning thus on fol. 3896 --- عدد بي غايت و شكر بي نهايت مو معبودي را كه عبادت او بر اهل

سنوات و ارض .

It is based on the 'Umdat-ul-Muşalli, better known as Kidani, and is divided into eight chapters. This copy, however, breaks off

in the middle of the seventh chapter.

The above tract is followed by a list of the names of renowned persons and holy saints with the year of death written under each. The dates are arranged according to the months, beginning with Muharram, and are brought down to A. H. 1972 — A.D. 1661.

Towards the end are found some short passages and quota-

tions from various Arabic and Persian works.

No. 110.

foll 180; lines 13; size 8 × 5; 6 × 3.

تحفة الصلوة

TUHFAT-US-SALAT.

A work on the privileges and peculiarities of the benediction invoked upon the prophet (عارة وسلة) based on the Qur'an, Ḥadiş and other reliable works, by the well-known author 'Ali bin Ḥusayn Wā'iz Kāṣhifi علي بن حسين راعظ كلفغي who died A.H. 939 — A D. 1532.

The work is divided into several sections and a Khātimah, but a good deal of the first section is wanting, there being a lacuna at the beginning of the copy. It opens abruptly with the following line:—

در كذاب تعرف آنجا كه بيان معتد عوديه ميكند فرمودة الخ ه فصل دويم در معني صلوة و تسليم ... 60l. 20b فصل دويم در معني صلوة و تسليم ... 60l. 32b فصل حويم در مباحث وجوب و استحباب ... 60l. 37b فصل خهاره در كيفيت صلوة و تسليمات ... 60l. 37b فصل پنجم در اكثر احاديث با صلوة (و) ذكر بركات ... 60l. 56b فصل ششم در مواطن صلوة و تسليمات ... 60l. 101b فصل ششم در مدمت تارك صلوة و تسليمات ... 60l. 102b فصل هفتم در مدمت تارك صلوة ... 60l. 162b فصل هفتم در آداب مصلي ... 60l. 167b فصل هفتم در آداب مصلي ... 60l. 167b

Fol. 4s is followed by a lacuna and five or six leaves have been left blank.

A note on the fly-leaf says that this copy was transcribed at

the desire of the donor Maulavi Sadr-ud-Din Ahmad, and deposited in the library A.H. 1282.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq.

No. 111.

foll, 37; lines 15; size 62×41; 41×21.

وسالة عيديد

RISALAH-I-SAYDIYAH.

A treatise endorsed as رسالة صيديه, by Fayd Ullah فيض بله, who composed it at the desire of Shah Tahmasp, written here, fol. 26, as probably Shah Tahmasp I of the Safawi dynasty, who reigned from A.H. 930-984 (A.D. 1524-1576).

Beginning:-

حدد و سیاس بادشاهی را که مرغ دلهای مخلصان مید دام معبت اوست الغ .

The work treats of legal precepts concerning hunting and the slaying of domestic and wild animals. It is divided into three Bâbs and a Khâtimah.

Written in beautiful Naskh on pink coloured papers within - gold and blue coloured borders with an illuminated head-piece.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 112.

foll. 148; lines 19; size 101 × 61; 81 × 41.

وَقِرَ ابْرِاهِيمَ شَاهِي FIQH-I-IBRAHÎM SHÂHÎ.

A work on legal prayers and other rites and observances of Islâm, being a collection of opinions and decisions of particular law-cases, by Aḥmad bin Muḥammad bin Ḥamīd, entitled Niẓâm-ud-Din الحدد بن محدد بن حميد الملقب به نظاء الدين, who dedicated it to Ibrāhîm 'Adil Shâh, King of Bîjāpûr (A.H. 941-965 — A.D. 1535-1557).

Beginning:-

حمد بیعد و ثفاه بیعد که از قیاس انفاس افزونست .

The work is divided into two parts. This copy, comprising is the first part only. A copy of ركتاب اليمان و السلام to كتاب الطهارة the second part کتاب الغنثي to کتاب النکاح is preserved in the Calcutta Madrasah Library. The Rampur Library possesses two copies of the work.

Foll. 81-148 are hopelessly rotten and damaged.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 113.

foll, 319; lines 19; size 10×7; 71×4.

بواهين قاطع BARAHIN-I-QATI'.

A Persian translation of Ahmad bin Hajar ul-Haysami ul-Makki's (d. A.H. 973 = A.D. 1565) Arabic work الصواعق المتعرفة. which contains a defence of the rightful claim of succession of the first three Khalifs, against the heretics and Shi'ites, originally delivered as a course of lectures in Makkah, A.H. 950 - A.D. 1543 in the month of Ramadan (December).

The translation was made by Kamal-ud din bin Fakhr-ud-Din Jahrami كمال الدين بن فعفر الدين جهرمي, A.H 994 = A.D. 1580 at the desire of Sultan Ibrahim 'Adil Shah (A.H. 988-1036 - A D.

1580 1627).

Beginning:-

العصد لله الذي فضَّل وكرِّم نبينًا معمد صلى الله عليه رسلم على سابر الانبياء النوء

It is divided into three Muqaddimahs, ten Babs and a Khātimah, as follows :-

مقدمه اولى در ذكر احاديثي كه درياب اهل بدعت و شيعه و روافض fol. 36, sam al,

> مقدمه دوم در بیان رجوب نصب امام . «fol. 13 مقدمه ميوم در اثبات امانت مقدمه

باب اول در بیان کیفیت خلافت صدیق و استدلال بعقیت آن بدلائل الله و نقليه و أنجه تابع أنست . fol. 14b.

باب دوم در آفتچه مروی است از اکابر اهل بیت رضی الله تعالی عذمم در مدح و ثغایی ابوبئر و عمر رضی الله تعالی عذبما . اها، اها،

باب سيوم در ديان افضليت ابوبكر رض برساير اين امت باز عمر باز عثمان باز علي الني . fol. 936

باب جهارم در خلافت عمر رض ، fol. 1366

باب ینجم در فضایل و خصوصیات عمر رض ,fol. 1406

باب ششم در خلافت عثمان رض ، fol. 1590

باب هفتم در خلافت علي ابن ابي طالب رض ، fol. 171°.

باب هشتم در مآخر و فضایل و بعضی از احوال علی رض ، مادا اها

باب فهم در خلافت حسن و فضايل و مآثر و كوامات وي رض رف

باب دهم در نضایل اهل نبری .fol. 2106

خاتمه در بیان اعتقاد اهل منت و جماعت در حق صحابه . (fol. 298)

Written in a fair Nasta'liq.

Dated Bîjâpûr, Ramadân, A.H. 995. The first folio is supplied in a quite modern hand.

No. 114.

foll. 34; lines 11; size 8½ × 5½; 5½ × 3.

مناظرا جمهوريه

MUNAZARAH-I-JAMHURIYAH.

A controversial work in defence of the Shi'ah tenets, translated from an Arabic treatise on the discussion held at Mashbad, in A.H. 878 — A.D. 1173, between Mulla Harawi and Shaykh Muhammad Jamhūr, by Muhammad bin Muhammad, better known as Jalāl-ud-Din ul-Kāshāni الكشائي, in A.H. 1001 — A.D. 1592.

Beginning:-

ثنا و محمدتي كه زبان بيان بحكم انت كما الغ .

The title of the work is not given in the text, but in an endorsement in a fly-leaf at the beginning it is called

Written in fair Indian Ta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an ordinary decorated head-piece and 'Unwan.

The MS, was written during the time of Asaf-ud-Daulah Bahådur at the desire of Råi Bahådur Singh.

Dated, Lucknow, Dulqa'd, A.H. 1210.

No. 115.

foll. 425; lines 17; size 13] × 81; 81 × 41.

فوادن أعفية

FAWA'ID-I-ASAFÎYAH.

A very comprehensive work on the special privileges and essential peculiarities of the Friday and other congregational prayers, based on the Quran, Hadis and sayings of the Imams and other holy persons, originally delivered as a course of lectures from the 13th of Rajab, A.H. 1200 to the 7th of Sha'ban, A.H. 1201 by Sayyid Dildar 'Ali bin Sayyid Muhammad Mu'in-ud-Din ul-سيد دادار على بن سيد محمد معين الدين الهذمي Hindi un-Nașirabādi النصير أباسي

Beginning:-

جميع محامد و عذوف سايش جناب ولحد المديرا سزا ست .

The full title of the work, given in the Preface, is if المواعظ but in the Kashf-ul-Hujub, p. 570, it is called و مواعظ حسنيه التحسينية. It consists of fifty-one lectures called موعظه. A detailed account of the contents is given in the beginning of the work

The original work is followed by a fragment (foll, 421-425) of the Tarikh-i-Ibn-i-Hilal relating to the correspondence between 'Ali and Ma'awiyah after the former's return from the battle of Jumal.

Written in fair Indian Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders

with an illuminated head-piece.

Dated 5th Shawwal, A.H. 1211.

A note on fol. 1s, dated 11th Ramadan, A.H. 1252, records the price of MS. as Rs. 30.

No. 116.

foll. 138; lines 14; size 81×41; 6×3.

ذو الفقار

DULFAQAR.

A refutation of the 12th Chapter of Shah 'Abd-ul-'Aziz's popular work مُرِيع أَنْنَا عَشْرِيم, by the same Dildar 'Ali.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله لمثبت الحق و مزيل الباطل و الصلوة على الدعاة .

The work and the author are mentioned in the Kashful Hujub. p. 221.

The following note on fol. Io by one Sajjad 'Ali, whose seal, dated A.H. 1282, immediately follows his signature, gives the particulars of the work.

کتاب دو الفقار تصفیف جذاب علیبی مآب سید المجتبدیی قدوة المتکلمین المولی مواتنا سید دادار علی ... در جواب باب دوازدهم از کتاب تحفق اثنا عشویه در بیان تولا و تیرا .

Written in fair Indian Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No 117.

foll, 321; lines 20; size 113 × 7; 84 × 44.

An anonymous Shi'ah work in support of 'Ali's right to the Imamat and treating of the prerogatives and miracles of the Imams.

Beginning:-

حمدى كه حامدان مدّ اعلى و ذاكران كولا غيرا از ادامي آن عاجز افد .

The name of the author and the title of the work are not given in the text, but in an endorsement on fol. 1ª it is described as كتَّاب المامية در بحث المامت المام

In the beginning, as well as in the concluding lines, it is said that the author lived for a long time at Haydarabad and that he wrote this work for 'Abd Ullah Qutub Shah (A.H. 1035-1083 — A.D. 1625-1672). We also learn that he completed it after one and a half years' labour in A.H. 1058 — A.D. 1648.

It is divided into a Muqaddimah, on the significance of the Imam and the necessity for his existence (fol. 3a); a book (Bâb), on the claims of 'Ali (fol. 7b), subdivided into twelve Chapters (Faşl), devoted to the prerogatives and the miracle of the Imams, and a Khatimah, containing miscellaneous observations, fol. 315b.

Written in ordinary but legible Indian Ta'liq with rubrications.

Dated 26th Rabi I, A.H. 1081.

A seal of a certain noble (name illegible) of Shah 'Alam's court is fixed at the end.

No. 118.

foll. 384; lines 15; size 11 × 61; 81 × 4.

THE SAME.

Another copy of the preceding work ending with the tenth chapter. Occasional notes and emendations on the margins.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 119.

foll, 383 (385-766); lines and size same as above.

The continuation of the preceding copy beginning with the eleventh chapter and ending with the Khâtimah. This copy begins with a short preamble in which it is said that this is the second volume of the work.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين و بعد بخدمت طالبان راة هدى و شيعيان با عدق و صفا ...

Written in the same hand as the preceding copy with marginal notes and emendations.

Not dated, 19th century.

No. 120.

foll. 251; lines 25; size 101 × 61; 71 × 4.

An anonymous work on the laws, sacred rites and ceremonies to be observed by pilgrims, based on the 'Ilal-ul-Ḥajj of Shaykhus-Ṣudūq Abi Ja'far Muḥammad bin 'Ali bin Ḥusayn bin Mūsā bin Bābwayh ul-Qummi (d. A.H. 381 — A.D. 991), and other works on similar topics, by Muḥammad Taqi bin Majlisi

Beginning:-

الحمد الله وب العالمين و الصلوة على سيد الانبياد و المرسلين محمد وعثرته الهادين النو ...

The author, who calls himself (fol. 2a) معند تقي بن مجلسي, is most probably identical with Muhammad Taqi bin Maqsud 'Ali ul-Majlisi, who died in A.H. 1070 = A.D. 1659, and whose work نسالة في التحي is mentioned in Kashf-ul-Hujub, p. 256.

The copy is defective towards the end and breaks off with the

منفولست از على از ابو بصير words

Written in ordinary Naskh with additions and emendations on the margins.

A seal of Fadil Khan of 'Alamgir's court, three of the later kings of Oude and one of Muzaffar Husayn, are found on fol. 1a.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 121.

foll, 306; lines 19; size $11\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{3}{4}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5$.

تحفة الزائر

TUHFAT-UZ-ZA'IR.

A compendium of all the sacred rites and ceremonies to be observed by the Shi'ite pilgrims and visitors to the holy tombs of the Imams and other places of sanctity, by Muhammad Bāqir bin Muhammad Taqi محمد باقر بي محمد في the famous author of many Shi'ite works, who was born A.H. 1038 = A.D. 1628, composed this work A.D. 1085 = A.D. 1674 (cf. fol. 306a), and died A.H. 1110 = A.D. 1698.

Beginning :-

کیوتر ستایشی که از بروج مشیده افواه حامدان آهنگ در و بام صواحج و مسامع قدسیان وا شاید مفیض الافواری وا سزا ست النع .

It is divided into a Muqaddimah, twelve Båbs and a Khâtimah, as follows:—

مقدمه دربیان آداب سفر است. ادام

باب اول در بیان ثواب تعمیر قبور مقدسه حضرت رسول و اثنا هدی ... و ثواب زیارت ایشان و آداب زیارتهای ایشان ... fol. 9% باب دویم در فضیلت و کیفیت زیارت رسول خدا و فاطمه زهوا و ایمهٔ بقیع ...fol. 17 م

باب سيم در فضيلت زيارت أمير المومنين ... وكيفيت زيارت أنحضوت . 501. 350 باب جهارم در بيان فضيلت نجف اشرف و كوفه و مساجد كوفه و أب فرانست . 501. 73%

باب پذجم در فضایل زیارت سید الشهدا حسین بن علی fol. 88°. باب ششم در بیان فضیلت حایر و کربلا معلی و فضیلت تربت حضرت امام حسین و آداب آنست . fol. 110°

باب هفتم در زیارت مطلقهٔ انحضرت که مخصوص بوقتی از اوقات نیست و آداب آنها و سایر اعمال و ادعیه که در روشه مقدسه باید بعمل آورد . . fol. 123%

باب هشتم در بیان فضیلت و کیفیت زیارت آنحضرت که مخصوص اقد بایام و اوقات معلومه و امکذه بعیده . fol. 1748

باب نیم در بیان فضیلت و کیفیت زیارات حضرات امام موسی کاظم و امام رضا و امام محمد تقی . fol. 2096

باب دهم در بيان فضيات و كيفيت زيارت حضرت امام علي نقي و امام حسن عسكري و صاحب الامر ... و ادعية توسل بالمله عليهم السلام و عرايضي كه بخدمت ايشان تويسند ... fol. 229%.

باب یازدهم در بیان زیارت جامعه است که هر امامی را بان زیارت میتوان کرد و استفائه بایشان نمودن و عرایض بخدمت ایشان نوشتن در حاجتها و شدتها و کیفیت صلوت فرستادن بر ایشان . 601, 2566 باب دوازدهم در آداب زیارت بنیابت و زیارت اولاد اثبه علیم السلام و اصحاب ایشان و فضیلت سایر بقاع شریفه است . 601, 2080 خاتمه در بیان آداب ملاقات زایران اثبهٔ علیم السلام . 601, 3060

Written in clear Naskh within gold and coloured-ruled borders with rubrications and an illuminated head-piece. The margins

Dated Shawwal, A.H. 1243.

.ابن شيم على شيم ابو الحسن -: Soribe

of foll. 16 and 29 are-decorated with floral designs.

Additions and emendations are occasionally found on the margins.

No. 122.

foll. 489; lines 17; size 81 x 51; 61 x 31.

حتى اليقين

HAQQ-UL-YAQIN.

A comprehensive work on the leading dogmas, principles and theories of Islamism from the strictest Shi'ite standpoint, by the well-known Shi'ah Mujtahid Muḥammad Baqir bin Muḥammad Taqi Majlisi محمد باتر بي محمد تقي مجلسي (d. A.H. 1110 — A.D. 1698), who completed it in A.H. 1109 — A D. 1697.

Beginning:-

الحمد الله الواحد الغود الصد العليم القدير الذي ليس كمثله شي و هو السميع البصير »

It comprises the following six books :-

باب اول در اقرار بوجود حق تعالى وصفات كماليه اوست - . fol. 20.

باب دوم در بيان صفاتيست كه از حق تعالى نفي بايد كرد . fol. 70.

باب حيم در بيان صفاتيست كه متعلق است بافعال حق تعالى . fol. 10b.

باب چهارم در مباحث نبوة . fol. 120.

باب پذچم در امامت است . fol. 24b.

In this chapter, which occupies more than half the work, the author demonstrates the exclusive claims of 'Alî and his descendants to the Imāmat, and disparages his opponents at considerable length.

باب ششم در اثبات معاد است و بیان مقدمات آن و توابع آن از وقت مرک تا انقضای امر عالم •

Printed in Teheran, A.H. 1241.

Written in minute clear Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders.

Dated Diqa'd, A.H. 1218.

The copy bears on the fly-leaf the seals of Amjad 'Ali, Sulay-man Jah and Wajid 'Ali.

No. 123.

foll, 536; lines 23; size 12×62; 72×32.

عبن العباة AYN-UL-HAYÂT.

A very popular and exhaustive work on theology and ethics based on the Quran and traditions, from a strict Shi'ite standpoint, by the same Muhammad Baqir bin Muhammad Taqi Majlisi (d. A.H. 1110 — A.D. 1698).

Beginning:-

لَّلِّي حمد و جواهر ثنا تحقَّهُ باركاء جلال كبرياد النم .

The work is divided into numerous sections, variously styled styled (معبد منصد مناور منابع مصباح , بنبوع , فصل , باب , شعبد , أمعد , منصد , تنوير , فايدة , أصل مصباح , بنبوع , etc. See E. G. Browne, Camb. Cat., pp. 64-69.

Printed at Teheran, A.H. 1240.

Written in beautiful Naskh within gold and coloured-ruled margins with an illuminated head-piece and a double-page ornamented unwan. The Arabic texts, frequently quoted, are written with all vowels. Additions and emendations are occasionally found on the margins.

The last folio has been supplied in a different hand.

All the seals at the beginning and end of the copy have been rubbed out by some mischievous hand.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 124.

foll. 103; lines 11; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3$.

فى يويد GADÎRIYAH.

A Shi'ah treatise in support of 'Ali's claim to the Imamat, by 'Abd Ullah bin Shah Manaur ul-Qazwini عبد الله بي شاء منصور

Beginning:-

التحمد لله باعث الرسل رحمة اللعالمين و جاعلهم مبشرين النم .

The following particulars regarding the work and its author are given in the Kashf-ul-Hujub, p. 392:—

الغديرة - في اثبات امير المؤمنين لموانا عبد الله بن شاة منصور القوريني الطوسي المعاصر للشينم الحرّ العاملي .

It would appear from the above passage that the author was a contemporary of Shaykh Hurr ul-'Âmuli, who is most probably identical with Muhammad bin Hasan ul-Husayni ul-Hurr ul-'Âmulî, d. A.H. 1099 — A.D. 1688 (see Brock. ii, p. 412).

Written in fair Indian Ta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled

borders with decorations in the beginning.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 125.

foll. 93; lines 14; size 7½ × 4½; 4½ × 2½.

A collection of three treatises (bound together), on some questions regarding Muhammadan theology and law, according to the Shi'ite School, by Muhammad bin Muhsin bin Murtadâ, surnamed 'Alam-ul-Hudâ محمد بن محص بن مرتضى مانب به علم البدى (cf. fol. 1b). Rieu, I, p. 140, followed by Ethé, Bodl. Lib. No. 1766, while questioning the date A.H. 1070 (A.D. 1659), given in the Bibliotheca Sprengeriana, No. 585, as a time when 'Alam-ul-Hudâ was still alive, holds that he lived in the first half of the seventh century of the Hijrah. Evidences in this copy however tend to support the date given in the Bibl. Spreng. loc. cit. At the end of the first treatise (fol. 69b), the author says that he finished its composition in Duihijjah, A.H. 1098 = A.D. 1686.

يقول عبد الله الفقير محمد المدعو علم الهدى ابن محمد المحسن عفا الله و الفق تاليفها بقرية قمصر من قرى بلدتنا قاسان لشهر فنى القعد المحرام من شهور حجة ثمان و تسمين و الف من الحجج هجرية الباهرة ...

Again at the end of the third treatise, fol. 91°, the author says that he extracted it from the original in Dulqa'd, A.H. 1097 — A.D. 1685.

و استخرج هذه السلالة من اصل الرسالة تاظميما الفقير الى ربه في كل موطن محمد المدعو علم البدى ابن محمد المحسن لشبر ذى القعدة الحرام من شبور حجة سبع و تسعين و الف من الاعوام الحجرية ...

I. Foll. 16-70°. شعائر الإيمان Sha'ā'īr-ul-Īmān, dealing with some points relating to the principles of Muhammadan theology and law.

Beginning:-

بعد از أرايش دل و زبال بسياس وستايش أفريققدا آشكار و فهال الم .

It is divided into the following five Maqalahs:-

مقالهٔ نخستین در تقصیل اعمال بر سبیل لجمال . 10. 20. مقالهٔ دوم در بیان فرایض طاعات . 10. 70. fol. 22. مقالهٔ سیم در بیان فرافل حسفات . 122. fol. 22. مقالهٔ چهارم در بیان مخطورات . 10. 370. مقالهٔ پنجم در بیان مکررهات

II. Foll. 716-780 كَتَابُ حَنْ كَتَابُ حَنْ كَتَابُ لَهُ Khulâşah-i-Kitâb-i-Haqguzâr. A tract in which the author vehemently denounces the doctrines, rites and religious observances of Sufis which he declares as heretical.

Beginning:-

بعد از آرایش دل و زبان بستایش پروردگار آشکار و نهان النم .

Foll 796-93a. المعيار Sulâlat-ul-Mi'yar. A theological discussion of the restrictions to be observed in the composition of poetry and verses, being an extract made by the author himself from his larger work.

Beginning:-

بعد از ادامی وظائف حمد پروردگار النو ،

Written in learned Naskh, with rubrications. Marginal notes and emendations are occasional.

Dated A.H 1099.

No. 126.

foll. 129; lines 28-34; size 101 x 61; 9 x 5.

ترجمة شعب الايمان

TARJAMAH-I-SHU'AB-UL-IMAN.

A work on the leading dogmas and principal theories of Islamism based on the Quran, Hadiş and other standard works. It is a translation of Sirāj-ud-Din Abū Ḥafṣ 'Umar Qazwini's abridgment of Abū Bakr Aḥmad bin Ḥusayn ul-Bayḥaqi's (d. A.H. 458 — A.D. 1065) "Shu'ab-ul-Îmān." The translation was made by Nūr-ud-Din ibn Jalāl-ud-Din أور الدين أبي جال الدين أبي جال الدين أبي به who added a Muqad-dimah, a Khātimah and some more matter to the work.

Beginning:-التحمد بله رب العالمين اللهم على عبدك و حبيبك

و رسولک النم

The work is divided into a Muqaddimah, seventy-seven Shu'bas and a Khâtimah. A detailed index of the contents with reference to pages has been given at the beginning of the copy.

Written in careless Nasta'liq with notes and emendations

occasionally found on the margins.

Dated, Friday, the 2nd of Jumada II., A.H. 1105.

Scribe: - (بر) - Scribe.

The MS. is worm-eaten, and pasted over in many places.

No. 127.

foll. 61; lines 10; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; $7 \times 3\frac{3}{2}$.

تبصرة الزائر

TABSIRAT-UZ-ZA'IR.

A treatise on the rites and ceremonies to be observed by the Shi'ite visitors to the sacred tombs of the Imams and places of sanctity, by Mir Muḥammad Badi' ibn Mir 'Abd-ul-Quddus Raḍawi Mashhadi مير محمد بديع ابن مير عبد القدرس رضوي مشهدي, who finished it, according to the concluding lines, on the 8th of Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1157 — A.D. 1744.

Beginning: -

According to the preface the treatise contains the translation of the 22nd Book of Muhammad Bâqir Majlisi's (d. A.H. 1110 — A.D. 1678) Bihâr-ul-Anwâr. The Arabic text is followed by interlinear translation written in minute Nasta'liq.

Written in beautiful bold Naskh within gold and colouredruled borders with an illuminated head-piece. According to the colophon the MS. was written by order of Nawwâb Husayn 'Alî Khân Şâhib Bahâdur, son of Haydar 'Alî Khân.

Dated 2nd Safar, A H. 1257.

. على ابن محمد -: Scribe

All the pages of the MS, are pasted over with thin paper.

No. 128.

foll. 171; lines 19; size 11×61; 81×31.

قرة العينين

QURRAT-UL-'AYNAYN

A work on the praiseworthy-qualities and the great merits of the Khalifahs Abû Bakr, 'Umar and Uşman, based on the traditions of the prophet and holy men, by the well-known Indian scholar Shah Wali Ullah d. A.H. 1176 — A D. 1762.

Beginning:-

التحمد بله الذمي بعث عبدة محمدا على الله عليه و سلم الى العالمين .

The full title of the work given in the preface is عرة العينين به

Written partly in Indian Ta'liq and partly in ordinary Nasta'liq with occasional notes on the margins,

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 129.

foll. 28; lines 15; size 8½×5½; 6½×4.

خلاصة الاسلام

KHULÂŞAT-UL-ISLÂM.

A short theological treatise on the religious duties and observances of Islâm, according to the Ḥanafi School by Ismā'il bin Luṭf Ullah ul-Bâkharzi السعيل بن لطف الله الباخر زي.

Beginning:-

حدد و سپاس و ثنلی بیقیاس خداوندی را که مجموع مخلوقات را از کتم عدم بصحرای وجود آورده .

It is divided into the following twenty-two Babs (chapters):-

باب اول در بیان ایمان و اسلام و احسان و صفات باری تعالی - . .fol. 2º. باب دوم در بیان آبها - .fol. 76

باب سیوم در بیان دعاهای أبدست . fol. 86. باب چهاره در بیان فریضه و سفت وضو ساختن . fol. 96.

باب پنجم در بیان غسل ۱۱۵. fol. 11

باب ششم در بیان فریضه های تیمیم ،fol. 124

باب هفتم دربیان مسے کشیدن بر موزد ، fol. 130.

باب عشتم در بیان نماز . fol. 138. باب نهم دربیان نماز گذاردن . 170. fol. 170. باب دهم در بیان قرادت در قمار . fol. 176. باب یازدهم در بیان فرض و ولجب و سفت و نفل و تفوقه میان fol. 180. ايشار باب دوازدهم در بیان اوقات نماز . fol. 186 باب سیزدهم در بیان سجدهٔ سهو .fol, 196 باب جهاردهم در بيان سجدة تلاوت باب پانزدهم در بیان نماز جمعه . fol. 20% باب شافردهم در بیان نماز عید رمضان و عید قربان . fol. 21° باب هفدهم در بيال نماز جنازه . 101. 220 باب هيڙدهم كر بيان زكوة . fol. 230. باب نوزدهم در بیان روزه . fol. 24". باب بیستم در بیاں حے . fol. 260. باب بیست و یکم در بیان حیض . fol. 265 باب بیست و دوم در بیان نفاس . fol. 280

Written in ordinary, but legible, Indian Ta'liq.

The colophon says that the transcription was completed in the house of Muhammad Ridā Khān at Hoogly, on the 19th of Muharram, A.H. 1179, by Aman Ullah of Qutbpur, Sātgām.

No. 130.

foll. 87; lines 17-19; size 7½×4½; 5½×3.

RISÄLAH-I-TIJÄRAT.

A splendid copy of a treatise on legal points relating to commerce, sale, earnings and other monetary affairs, according to the Shi'ite doctrine.

Beginning:-

التحمد ولله ربّ العالمين و صلى الله على محمد و آله الطاهرين .

The name of the author and the title of the work are not given in the text, but in the concluding line the work is ascribed to آثا محمد باتر بهاني Âqâ Muḥammad Bâqir Bahbahânī, the great Shi'ah Mujtahid, who died in A.H. 1205 = A.D. 1790.

قد انفق الفراغ من تحرير هذه الرسالة الفارسي (الفارسية) من تاليف مولانا افضل العلما و اعلم الفضلا آقا محمد باقربهبهاني ادام الله ايام افادته .

ايس رساله ايست -: The title is taken from a line in the beginning

.در احكام تجارت الني

Written in beautiful learned Shikastah hand within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece. Marginal emendations and annotations are occasional.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

The name of Safdar Nawwab (of Patna), written on the margin of fol. 1b, suggests that the MS. once belonged to him.

No. 131.

foll. 280; lines 17; size 91×6; 7×4.

تنوير المنار TANWIR-UL-MANAR.

A Persian commentary on Hafiz-ud-Dîn Nasafi's (d. A.H. 710 = A.D. 1310) famous text al-Manar on the principles of Muhammadan law and jurisprudence, according to the Hanafi School, by 'Abd-ul-'Ali Muhammad, better known as Bahr-ul-'Ulum bin عبد العلى مصد معروف به بحر العلوم بن Niṣām-ud-Din al-Anṣārī (d. A.H. 1226 - A.D. 1811). نظام الدين النصاري

Beginning with the Arabic Preface:-

التصد لله الذي احكم اصول الشريعة الغراد .

A copy of the work is noticed in the Catalogue of the Calcutta

Madrasah Library, p. 66.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq with the text overlined in red. Emendations and corrections are occasionally found on the margins.

Dated 25th Jumada I., A.H. 1232.

No. 132.

foll. 169; lines 13; size 71×42; 6×21.

قيامت نامه

QIYÂMAT NÂMAH.

An account of the events which are to take place at the approach of the Day of the Resurrection, and a detailed description of the world to come, based upon the Qurân and Ḥadis, by the same 'Abd-ul-'Alî Muḥammad, better known as Baḥr-ul-'Ulûm (d. A.H. 1226 — A.D. 1811).

Beginning:-

بات اول در اشراط ساعت ، fol. 16

باب دوم در بیان اهوال ساعت و الوقائع الذي تقع بعد العشر . fol. 420 باب سیوم در صفت جذت و جهذم و در صفت اهل جذت و اهل جهذم . fol. 1150

We learn from the colophon that this work, composed by the author during his stay in the Madrasah of Munshi Sayyid Sadr-ud-Dîn at Bûhâr, was transcribed by Maulavi Sayyid Sadr-ud-Dîn Ahmad's order in A.H. 1288 by Irâdat 'Alî of Bûhâr.

هذا ما تيسر لذا في املاء الرسالة بفتم الرحمٰى اما هذا الرسالة المتبركة المسمى (السمالة) بقيامت نامة از تصانيف افضل علماء متاخرين مولانا عبد العلي قدس سرة حين تشريف داشتن بموضع بوهار در مدرسة عالية منشي سيد عدر الدين مرحوم تصفيف يافته اين فقل ششم است - حسب فرموده مولوي سيد عدر الدين احمد عاحب حقفي دام اقباله في التاريخ بيست و نهم ماه آس سفه ۱۲۸۸ هجري روز يكشفيه لو فضل رب العالمين و طفيل جفاب سيد المرسلين اين قيامت فامة متبرك باتمام رسافيد (رسيد) ... كاتبه ارادت على بوهاري ...

Written in clear Nasta'liq with the headings in red.

No. 133.

foll. 194; lines 18; size 101×6; 81×4.

صولت فضغويه ŞAULAT-I-GAZANFARÎYAH.

A Sunni denunciation of the Shi'ite custom of "temporary marriage" (منعه), written, A.H. 1237 — A.D. 1821, in refutation of Dildar 'Ali's son Sayyid Muḥammad's work بارقة غينيه on the legality of the mut'ah, by Muḥammad Rashid-ud-Din محمد رشيد الدي

a pupil of Maulana Shah 'Abd-ul-'Aziz (d. A.H. 1239 = A.D. 1824), the author of the popular work تحفظ اثنا عشريه and of several other works.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذي انزل الثناب نورا مبينا لمن سلمت عيناء الع Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 134. ·

foll. 376; lines 9; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3$.

تبصرة المهتدين TABŞIRAT-UL-MUHTADÎN.

A Persian translation and explanation of Sayyid Muhammad Taqi bin Sayyid Husayn's Arabic work Hadiqat-ul-Wâ'izin, which contains a course of lectures on Muhammadan theology and moral philosophy, delivered in the month of Ramādān, A.H. 1258 — A.D. 1842.

The original work was dedicated to Amjad 'Ali Shâh at whose desire this Persian paraphrase was made by Sayyid 'Abd-Ullah in Rajab, A.H. 1261 — A.D. 1845.

Beginning:-

الصد يله الذي امر با التقوى و نمي عن الباع الففس و البوى .

Written in clear Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with a beautifully illuminated head-piece and a sumptuously ornamented double page 'Unwan.

A neat and beautiful copy, probably prepared for Amjad

'Ali Shah at whose desire the translation was made.

No. 135.

foll. 275; lines 15-19; size 91 × 51; 7-71 × 31.

فتارط بوهده

FATÂWÂ-T-BARAHNAH.

A compendium of Muhammadan theology and law according to the Hanafite School, by Naşîr-ud-Din Lâhaurî نصير الدين العربي.

Beginning:

حدد مرخدلی جهان را که یکتاست بارماف کمال و مبرا -ت از نقص و زوال .

The work has been lithographed at Lahore.

Three folios of a different work on the same topic are prefixed to this MS.

Written in careless Indian Ta'liq with numerous emendations

and annotations.

The MS is mended and pasted over in many places. Foll. 12, 15 and 260-265 have been bound upside down. Fol. 4b is written in a later hand.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 136.

foll. 373; lines 17; size 9×5; 6×21.

جمال العالجين JAMÂL-UŞ-ŞÂLIHÎN.

Exposition of the principal rites, duties and observances of Islâm, according to the Shi'ah School, based on the Qurân, Hadis and sayings of holy men, by Ḥusayn bin 'Abd-ur-Razzāq معين بن الراق.

Beginning:-

التحمد لله رب العالمين حق حمدة و صلى الله على محمد .

It is divided into a Muqaddimah, twelve Bâbs and a Khâtimah. The Bâbs, each sub-divided into several Faṣls, begin respectively on foll. 9a, 52b; 64b, 138a, 163a, 224a, 234a, 244b, 303b, 319a, 330b and 346b.

Written in a clear minute Naskh within gold and colouredruled borders with an illuminated head-piece and rubrications.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 137.

foll, 216; lines 15; size 81 x 5; 51 x 31.

تحفة المسلمين

TUHFAT-UL-MUSLIMÎN.

A defective and incomplete copy of a work on the observances, rites and dogmas of Islamism, according to Shi'ite School.

The copy is defective at both ends, and the title is taken from an endorsement on a fly-leaf at the beginning. It opens abruptly thus:-

نعمت مغفرت وا بر خوان ادراک فضل و صواب الن .

and breaks off ... موج إن and breaks

Foll. 26-29 are bound upside down.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq within coloured-ruled borders.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 138.

foll. 144; lines 19; size 81 × 51; 61 × 4.

مباحثه ملا با پادري

MUBAHASAH-I-MULLA BA PADRI.

A defective copy of a Musulman refutation of a certain Padre's defence of Christianity. Several folios are wanting in the beginning and consequently the name of the author, title of the work, etc., cannot be ascertained.

In an endorsement on the fly-leaf the work is called مباحثة

It opens abruptly thus:-

خوشتر از دیدی هزار بوستان و بسیار .

and ends :-

نا وقتى كه مدعاء شعا به حصول انجامد ملا نيز چنين گفت .

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq within coloured-ruled borders.

Not dated, apparently 19th century. The MS, is pasted with thick patches.

No. 139.

foll. 111; lines 18; size 11 × 71; 81 × 41.

خطيئة الالمة

KHATI'AT-UL-A'IMMAH.

Account of a debate which took place between the author and some lawyers of the four Islamic Schools, viz. Hanafi, Maliki, Shāfi'i and Hanbali, and in which the author attempted to refute their doctrines. Beginning:-

الحمد الله رب العالمين و الصلوة و السلام على خير خلقه محمد و آله الجمعين حققعالي ببرهان تحقيق النم .

In the preface the author, who calls himself المصري. Yûḥannā Bani Isrā'il ul-Miṣri, states that he was born a Jew, and that after a careful investigation of all religions he found Islām to be the only true religion. After embracing Islām he held a debate with the leading 'Ulamā of the Hanafi, Mālikī, Shāfi'i and Hanbali sects, in the course of which he attempted to refute them, supporting the tenets of the Imāmiyah sect of the Shi'ahs.

Written in clear Indian Ta'liq, with rubrications.

Dated 30th Safar, A.H. 1280. Scribe:—Shujā'at 'Alī Khān.

The MS. is worm-eaten in some places.

No. 140.

foll 181; lines 9-15; size 81 x 5; 61 x 31.

A collection of theological treatises, bound in one volume.

I. Foll. 95-15a. جيل حديث. Forty sayings of Muhammad, in Arabic, without any preface or introduction.

Beginning:-

جهل حديث حضوت رسالت بذاه صلى الله عليه و سلم - حديث اول - قال عليه السلام من قراء وحفظ اربعين حديثًا من امتي النم .

Written in ordinary Naskh with all vowels.

II. Foll. 9b-15a. Another series of the Prophet's traditions in Arabic without any title or introduction.

Beginning :-

قال الغبي صلى الله عليه و سلم مثل علوة الخمس كمثل فبرجار النوه

Written in ordinary Naskh, but more neatly than the preceding treatise.

Tarjumah-i-Lubåb-ul-Akhbår. A collection of 400 traditions of the Prophet, in forty chapters, each of which contains ten traditions, on various points of Muhammadan theology and law, a kind of general introduction to the science of Hadis. The original text in Arabic by Ahmad bin 'Abd Ullah الحد بن عبد الله followed by Persian translation by Muhammad ibn Mahmud

.Beginning:-

حمد بیحد و ثفلی بی عد مر خدایرا جل جلاله و عم فواله که علم علماد عالم را بر افراشت النج •

An index of the forty chapters occupies foll. 16b-17b.

Foll. 155-755 are written in ungraceful, but legible, Naskh and Nasta'liq and foll. 764-1090, written by one and pair, are in fair hand.

Dated Monday, the 24th of Jumada II, A.H. 1176.

IV. Foll. 1105-1817. عدة الأسلام 'Umdat-ul-Islâm. A compendium of Muhammadan civil and ecclesiastical law in all its branches, comprising purifications or ablutions, prayers, alms, fasting and pilgrimage, based on numerous Arabic and Persian works (enumerated on foll 1804-1805), by Abû Tâhir ibn Kamâl of Multân ابر طاهر ابن كمال ملتاني. See fol. 1795, line 13.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين و العاقبة للمتنفين و الصلوة على رسوله النم .

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq.
Dated Friday, the 9th Jumādā II, the 27th regnal year ?
Seribe:-محمد أمين قادري.

No. 141.

foll. 40; lines 15-19; size 91×6; 71×4.

Another collection of theological treatises.

I. Foll. 16-270 منانع الغلوب Manâfi'-ul-Qulûb. A treatise dealing with some of the most important points in Muhammadan theology and law, by an anonymous author, who was a disciple of Shaykh Maḥmūd Naṣīruddīn (cf. fol. 1b).

Beginning:-

حدد بیصد و ثغلبی بیعد سر آفریدکاربرا که بصفع قدیم و حکمت مستقیم النو ...

It is divided into two parts. The first, مسائل اعتقاد, begins on fol. 3a. The second, مسائل احكام شريعت comprising several sub-headings, begins on fol. 4a.

The colophon says that the transcription was made in the house of Mîr Sayyid Gulâm Muhammad at Manair, in 1115 Ben-

gali era, during the reign of Shah 'Alam.

. نواز الدين -: Seribe

II. Foll. 28a-35a. Another theological tract on the exposition of the principal rites and observances of Islâm by an anonymous author.

Beginning:-

العمد لله الذي هدانا لبذا الع •

III. Foll. 356-406. A similar tract, by Qutb-ud-Dîn Muḥammad bin Ĝiyâş-ud-Dîn 'Alî الدين على غياث الدين على.

The first two treatises are written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq by one scribe. The third, written by a different scribe in careless Ta'liq, though not dated, apparently belongs to the same period as the first two.

No. 142.

foll. 13; lines 17; size 91 × 53; 7 × 31.

Two theological treatises.

I. Foll. 14-74 اساس البصاي Asås-ul-Muşallî. A short tract dealing with the rites and observances connected with ablution and prayers, according to the Hanafi School, by one بدر رکن سندهی.

Beginning :-

It is divided into two chapters, the first of which, sub-divided into nine sections, begins on fol. 16, and the second, with eight sub-divisions, begins on fol. 3d. A marginal note at the end of this treatise says that it was transcribed by Khayr Ullah bin Shaykh Muhammad Rafiq for his son Shaykh Nür Ullah, on the 22nd Rajab, A.H. 1129.

II. Foll. 8a-13a. Another tract on Friday, 'Id-day, funeral

and other prayers, by Murid-ul-Ḥaq, مريد الحق

Beginning:-

It is divided into four Babs, each sub-divided into several sections.

Written by the above-named scribe for the same Shaykh Nûr Ullah on the same date.

Written in careless Indian Ta'liq within coloured-ruled borders.

(3) Commentaries and other Explanatory Works on the Quran.

No. 143.

foll. 433; lines 15; size 121 × 81; 91 × 41.

ترجبة الخواص TARJUMAT-UL-KHAWÂŞŞ.

A detailed Shi'ah commentary on the Quran, usually styled

على بن حسن زَرَّاري by 'All bin Hasan uz-Zawwârî, نفسير زوَّاري (wrongly called in the preface here "Sabzwârî"), who completed it in A.H. 946 — A D. 1539.

This library possesses in two volumes only a portion of the extant commentary. The first volume, comprising the first six Sûrahs, begins thus:—

حمد بيحد و شكر بلا عد مقعمي را سرد كه شقايق حقايق قرآني را النو..

Sûrah 1 begins on fol. 31^a; 2, on fol. 78^a; 3, on fol. 186^b; 4, on fol. 258^b; 5, on fol. 333^b; 6, on fol. 387^a.

The copy breaks off with the words

حاصل سخن أن است كه امهال است اما اهمال .

No. 144.

foll. 385; lines and size same as above.

Continuation of the preceding work, comprising Sûrahs 7-18. It opens thus;

• نخواهد بود - سيقول الذين الشركوا او شاء الله •

Sürah 7, on fol. 7a; 8, on fol. 70a; 9, on fol. 97a; 10 on fol. 152a; 11, on fol. 185b; 12, on fol. 218b; 13, on fol. 253b; 14, on fol. 268a; 15, on fol. 281a; 16, on fol. 292b; 17, on fol. 324b; 18, on fol. 357b.

Ends:-

أن نور ازو تا بأسمان برسد .

Both volumes, due to the penmanship of one scribe, are written in beautiful Naskh within coloured-ruled borders, with the text in red.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

Foll. 1-25 of the first volume and 378-385 of the second have been bordered.

Foll. 376-378 of the second volume are slightly damaged.

No. 145.

foll. 420; lines 18; size $13\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3$.

تفسير شاهي

TAFSIR-I-SHAHI.

A juridical commentary on the Quran, containing the explanation of those verses which relate to Muhammadan civil and ecclesiastical laws, according to the Shi'ah doctrine, composed at the desire of Shah Tahmasp Şafawi (A.H. 930-984 — A.D. 1524-1576), by Abul Fath ul-Husayni, the author of the work Şafwatuş-Şafa, noticed in Rieu, I., p. 345.

Beginning: -

فاتحة فابحة كتاب كتَّاب فصاحت مآب و خطبة واضحة خطاب خطاب

بلا انتساب ه

It comprises twenty-two Kitabs or Books, each sub-divided into several sections, called مبعث - نوع etc. The Kitabs are as follows:—

- 1. مناب الطبارت . 1 on fol. 44.
- 2. آياب الصلوة , on fol. 31b.
- 3. مناب الصرم , on fol. 1114.
- 4. أياب الزكوة , on fol, 1226
- 5. مناب الخسر, on fol. 1426
- 6. متاب الحي on fol. 1466.
- 7. كتاب الجهاد, on fol. 1820.
- . on fol. 226b كتاب الامر بالمعروف و الذبي عن المنكر .8
- 9. مباليا بالكار on fol. 2290.
- 10. كتاب البيع on fol. 2426.
- 11. ما on fol. 2516, on fol. 2516.
- 12. من العقود وغيرها . 12 من العقود وغيرها . 12 من العقود وغيرها . 12 من العقود وغيرها . 12 من العقود وغيرها .
- . on fol. 270 مناب الوصية . 13.
- on fol. 2840, مثاب الذفر و العبد و اليمين . 14
- 15. مناب العتق , on fol. 2916.
- 16. وكتاب النكاح , on fol. 2936.
- . on fol. 3400 مناب الغواق . 17
- . on fol. 362a, مثاب المطاعم و المشارب . 18
- 19. ما الميراث, on fol. 3776.

20. كتاب الحدود , on fol. 3906.

21. تألب الجنايات , on fol. 400°.

22. مناب القضايا , الشهادات , on fol 410°.

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq with the text of the Quran written in large Naskh overlined in red. The whole MS. has been mended and the original folios have been placed in new margins. Foll. 111-114 and 335-338 have been misplaced in binding.

Dated, the last day of Safar, A.H. 1088.

The name of the scribe given in the colophon has been rubbed out.

No. 146.

foll. 714; lines 25; size 122×7; 81×41.

خلاصة النهج KHULASAT-UL-MANHAJ.

A Shi'ah commentary on the Quran by Ibn Shukr Ullah Fath Ullah ush-Sharif ul-Kashani ابن شكر الله نتر الله الشريف الكاشاني (d. A.H. 978 — A.D. 1570), abridged by himself from his larger commentary in five volumes, styled معتبع الصادقين في الزام المخالفين

Beginning:-

حمدى چون كامات ربّاني بيغايت شايسته لطيفى است كه از معض لطف ابدي النم .

The commentary is divided into three parts as follows:-

Part I.—Comprises the first 18 Sûrahs, foll. 3b-297b.

Part II.—Sûrahs 19-35, foll. 2985-471a. Part III.—Sûrahs 36-114, foll. 4715-714a.

A table of contents occupies the first two folios of the MS.

The work has been lithographed at Teheran, A.H. 1281.

Written in beautiful Nîm Shikastah within gold-ruled borders, with an illuminated head-piece The text of the Qurân is written in Naskh overlined red.

The colophon of the first part, dated 12th Jumada I., A.H.

1085, runs thus :-

تم المجلد الول من تفسير خلاصة المنبي في ثاني عشر شهر جميدى الاولى من شهور سنة خمس و ثمانين و الف من البجرة النبوية المصطفوية بقلم اقل التخليقة ابن محمد رضا محمد حمين الفيروز آبادي بدار السلطفة

مذبور متعمد پور بیجاپور صیفت عن الفتن و الفتور و صلى الله على متعمد . أله أولا و أخرا .

Part second is not dated.

The third part is dated 23rd Ramadan, A.H. 1085.

Two seals of one Muzaffar Husayn are found respectively at the beginning and end of the copy.

No. 147.

foll. 275; lines 31; size 123×73; 83×44.

مواهب عليه

MAWÂHIB-I-'ALIYYAH.

A well-known commentary on the Quran, usually styled منفير حسيني, composed at the request of Mir 'Ali-Shir, to whom it is dedicated, between A.H. 897 and 899 — A.D. 1492 and 1494, by the famous author Husayn bin 'Ali ul-Wâ'iz ul-Kâshifi حسين (d. A.H. 910 — A.D. 1504).

It is divided into two volumes. The present volume, which is the first, comprises chapters I-XV, or the first half of the Quran, and begins thus:—

No. 148.

foll. 296; lines and size same as above.

The second volume of the preceding work comprising the latter half (chapters XVI-XXX) of the Qurân.

Beginning:

The whole commentary was printed in Calcutta A.H. 1247, and at Lucknow 1874. It was translated into Turkish by Abu'l Faḍl Muḥammad bin Idris Bidlisi (d. A.H. 982—A.D. 1574). A Hindûstâni translation, called نفير قادري, by Fakhr-ud-Dîn Ahmad Qâdirî, was lithographed in Lucknow A.H. 1879.

Both volumes, due to the penmanship of one scribe, whose name however does not appear in either copy, are written in beautiful minute Naskh within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece at the beginning of each volume. The text of the Quran, written in larger Naskh in red, has all the vowels in black. Additions and emendations are occasionally found on the margins. The MS. though written in a beautiful hand is not free from elerical mistakes.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

No. 149.

foll. 479; lines 25; size 121×8; 91×51.

جلاء الاذهان JALĀ-UL-ADHĀN.

A Shi'ah commentary on the Quran, based for the greater part on the traditional interpretations of the Imams, by Abul Mahasin Husaya bin Hasan ul-Jurjani العرجاني. The date of composition of the work or of the author cannot be ascertained. The author of the Kashf-ul-Hujub, p. 256, gives the following meagre account of the work and the author:—

In an endorsement on the fly-leaf due to a later hand the work is called تَفْسِير كَازِرِنِي. It is divided into two volumes. The first comprises the first sixteen Sûrahs of the Qurân and begins thus with a preface:—

The remaining fifteen Surahs begin respectively—2, fol. 8a; 3, fol. 116a; 4, fol. 174b; 5, fol. 216a; 6, fol. 261a; 7, fol. 295a; 8, fol. 339b; 9, fol. 355b; 10, fol. 392b; 11, fol. 411a; 12, fol. 428b; 13, fol. 448a; 14, fol. 455a; 15, fol. 457b; 16, fol. 467a.

This copy breaks off with the words :-

كه خدايتعالى براى ما ذخيرة كردة بود آنروزي ...

Written in clear Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated, now faded, head-piece. The text is written in red with all vowels.

Foll. 9 and 10 are bound upside down.

Foll. 43-46, 438, 439 and 461 have been misplaced in binding.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

The margins of the folios are worm-eaten.

No. 150.

foll. 320; lines 15; size 141×91; 101×6.

The second volume of the preceding work, beginning with the 19th Sûrah (حورة مريم) and ending with the last. The latter portion of the 16th Sûrah and the whole of the 17th and 18th are therefore wanting. This volume, like the preceding, contains an endorsement on the fly-leaf in which the work is called بنجيد ثاني while the illuminated head-piece bears the inscription المجلد ثاني.

Beginning:-

مورة مربع عليها السلام مئي است - و نود و هشت آيت است - هركة اين سورة بعضواند خداى تعالى او را الم .

The 20° Sûrah begins on fol. 10°; 21, on fol. 19°; 22, on fol. 31°; 23, on fol. 40°; 24, on fol. 48°; 25, on fol. 61°; 26, on fol. 75°; 27, on fol. 85°; 28, on fol. 93°; 29, on fol. 103°; 30, on fol. 108°; 31, on fol. 112°; 32, on fol. 115°; 33, on fol. 118°; 34, on fol. 130°; 35, on fol. 135°; 36, on fol. 139°; 37, on fol. 144°; 38, on fol. 150°; 39, on fol. 155°; 40, on fol. 162°; 41, on fol. 168°; 42, on fol. 173°; 43, on fol. 178°; 44, on fol. 183°; 45, on fol. 186°; 46, on fol. 188°; 47, on fol. 192°; 48, on fol. 194°; 49, on fol. 200°; 50, on fol. 204°; 51, on fol. 207°; 52, on fol. 210°; 53, on fol. 212°; 54, on fol. 217°; 55, on fol. 220°; 56, on fol. 224°; 57, on fol. 228°; 58, on fol. 233°; 59, on fol. 236°; 60, on fol. 241°; 61, on fol. 244°; 62, on fol. 245°; 61, on fol. 248°; 64, on fol. 249°; 65, on fol. 251°; 66, on fol. 253°; 67, on fol. 256°; 68, on fol. 259°; 69, on fol. 262°; 70, on fol. 264°; 71, on fol. 266°; 72, on fol. 268°; 73, on fol. 279°; 78, on fol. 281°; 79, on fol. 274°; 76, on fol. 276°; 77, on fol. 279°; 78, on fol. 281°; 79, on fol. 283°; 80, on fol. 285°; 81, on fol. 286°; 82, on fol. 288°; 83, on fol. 289°; 84, on fol. 290°; 85, on fol. 292°; 86, on fol. 293°; 87, on fol. 289°; 84, on fol. 290°; 85, on fol. 292°; 86, on fol. 293°; 87, on fol.

294°; 88, on fol. 295°; 89, on fol. 296°; 90, on fol. 299°; 91, on fol. 301°; 92, on fol. 301°; 93, on fol. 302°; 94, on fol. 303°; 95, on fol. 304°; 96, on fol. 305°; 97, on fol. 306°; 98, on fol. 308°; 99, on fol. 309°; 100, on fol. 309°; 101, on fol. 310°; 102, on fol. 310°; 103, on fol. 311°; 104, on fol. 311°; 105, on fol. 312°; 106, on fol. 314°; 107, on fol. 314°; 108, on fol. 314°; 109, on fol. 315°; 110, on fol. 316°; 111, on fol. 318°; 112, on fol. 318°; 113, on fol. 319°; 114, on fol. 319°.

Written in beautiful minute Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders. The text of the Quran, written in a larger

Naskh, is in red.

The first two pages are beautifully illuminated with ornament

of gold and floral designs.

Dated 16th Dulhijjah, A.H. 971. The name of the scribe, given in the colophon, is

اققر خلق الله اجي ابي نصر محمد سعيد الشريف عفى عقهما .

No. 151.

foll. 476; lines 16; size 101 × 61; 61-71 × 4-41.

توضيح TAUDÎH.

A commentary on the Quran, containing an easy translation and explanation of the sacred text intended for beginners, by an anonymous author.

Beginning:-

حمد أن خداى را كه بفرستادة بر پيغامبر ما قرآن مؤدة دهندة مومنان را النع .

The MS. is defective towards the end. It comprises the first 22 Sûrahs and a portion of the 23rd Sûrah المؤمنون after which it breaks off with the words:—

و آنانکه ایشان مال زکوة ادا کننده اند .

These twenty-three Sûrahs are as follows:-

1, on fol 1a; 2, on fol. 4b; 3, on fol. 75b; 4, on fol. 120a; 5, on fol. 164b; 6, on fol. 196a; 7, on fol. 229a; 8, on fol. 269b; 9, on fol. 282a; 10, on fol. 306a; 11, on fol. 321b; 12, on fol. 337b; 13, on fol. 352b; 14, on fol. 362a; 15, on 370b; 16, on fol. 377b; 17, on fol. 396b; 18, on fol 413a; 19, on fol. 430b; 20, on fol. 439a; 21, on fol. 452b; 22, on fol. 464b; 23, on fol. 476b.

Foll. 18-2726 are written in fair Naskh and foll. 2738-4766 in ordinary Indian Ta'liq. The text is written in red. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 152.

foll, 421; lines 21; size 101 × 7; 71 × 41.

تفسير علي عظيم خان

TAFSÎR-I-'ALÎ 'AZÎM KHÂN.

A very detailed commentary on the Quran based on the Arabic Sunni commentaries - كشاف - كشاف - مدارك - بيضاري - كشاف - بيضاري - كشاف البيان بيضاري - منز العرفان - مجمع البيان etc., by 'Ali 'Azim Khan عظيم خان . The author does not give a title to his work, but it is endorsed in a later hand as

The MS, has been divided by the binder into three volumes, bound separately.

The first volume comprising the first nine Surahs begins thus with a Preface:—

The nine Surahs are as follows:-

1, on fol. 3^b; 2, on fol. 6^a; 3, on fol. 128^a; 4, on fol. 189^a; 5, on fol. 245^a; 6, on fol. 289^a; 7, on fol. 331^b; 8, on fol. 381^b; 9, on fol. 401^a.

Ends: ... المحتوران وا with the catch-words رحمت تعود دهد

No. 153.

foll. 303; lines and size same as above.

Continuation of the preceding copy, comprising Sûrahs 10th to 29th, i.e. سورة عنكبوت to سورة يونس. The copy opens thus:-

در حق ابن مكتوم اعمى فاؤل شد .

The Surahs are as follows :-

10, on fol. 9^b; 11, on fol. 26^b; 12, on fol. 45^a; 13, on fol. 68^a; 14, on fol. 76^a; 15, on fol. 83^b; 16, on fol. 90^b; 17, on fol. 109^a; 18, on fol. 128^a; 19, on fol. 146^a; 20, on fol. 160^b; 21, on fol. 180^a; 22, on fol. 200^a; 23, on fol. 216^a; 24, on fol. 227^a; 25, on fol. 244^b; 26, on fol. 257^b; 27, on fol. 272^b; 28, on fol. 285^a; 29, on fol. 300^b.

Ends: - توافا است بجهت آن که قدرت ذائي ارست و ذات او نسبت The eatch-words of the last folio are

No. 154.

foll. 279; lines 21-25; size $10\frac{1}{4} \times 7\frac{1}{4}$; $8-8\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{4} - 8\frac{1}{2}$.

Continuation of the preceding copy, opening with the words:-

همه معكفات يكسل است پس چون به نشار اولى قادر است الم .

It comprises Sûrahs 30-99, as follows:-

30, on fol. 76; 31, on fol. 160; 32, on fol. 216; 33, on fol. 256; 34, on fol. 41b; 35, on fol. 49b; 36, on fol. 55b; 37, on fol. 63b; 38, on fol. 75b; 39, on fol. 85b; 40, on fol. 97a; 41, on fol. 108a; 42, on fol. 116a; 43, on fol. 125a; 44, on fol. 133b; 45, on fol. 137b; 46, on fol. 141b; 47, on fol. 148a; 48, on fol. 153b; 49, on fol. 161b; 50, on fol. 167a; 51, on fol. 171a; 52, on fol. 175b; 53, on fol. 1790; 54, on fol. 1836; 55, on fol. 1866; 56, on fol. 1914; 57, on fol. 195^b; 58, on fol. 200^b; 59, on fol. 204^a; 60, on fol. 208s; 61, on. fol. 211s; 62, on fol. 212s; 63, on fol. 214s; 64 on fol. 2155; 65, on fol. 2175; 66, on fol. 221a; 67, on fol. 2235; 68, on fol. 226a; 69, on fol. 230a; 70, on fol. 232b; 71, on fol. 235a; 72, on fol. 237a; 73, on fol. 239a; 74, on fol. 243b; 75, on fol. 246b; 76, on fol. 249b; 77, on fol. 251a; 78, on fol. 253a; 79, on fol. 255a; 80, on fol. 256b; 81, on fol. 258a; 82, on fol. 258b; 83, on fol. 261a; 84, on fol. 262a; 85, on fol. 263b; 86, on fol. 264a; 87, on fol. 265b; 88, on fol. 266b; 89, on fol. 269a; 90, on fol. 270a; 91, on fol. 271b; 92, on fol. 272b; 93, on fol. 274a; 94, on fol. 274b; 95, on fol. 275c; 96, on fol. 277c; 97, on fol. 277b; 98, on fol. 2785; 99, on fol. 279a.

و ذالنون گفته که کنود بمعني هلوع است و هلوع مفسر-: Ends ** باشد باینکه

The catch-words found here are اندک را.

The commentary on the last fifteen Surahs is wanting,

The three volumes are written in Nasta'liq by various hands. The text of the Qurân in the first volume and in a portion of the second (foll. 1-181a), is written in red, and in the remaining portion

of the second and the whole of the third in black. Scanty notes are on the margin.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

Each volume bears the seal of Muntazim-ul-Mulk Muhsin-ud-Daulah Faridûn Jâh Sayyid Manşûr 'Ali Khân Bahâdur Nuşrat Jang, the late Nawwâb of Murshidâbâd.

No. 155.

foll. 144; lines 13; size 8×41; 51×3.

تفسير بعض آيات TAFSÎR-I-BA'D ÂYÂT.

A very defective copy of a commentary on some selected verses of the Quran relating to the various points of the Suffic doctrine based on the Hadis. The copy is defective at the beginning as well as towards the end, and neither the title of the work nor the name of the author can be found. On the margin of fol. 1a it is endorsed المعارفة المع

It opens abruptly thus:-

فرسودة احت الغضوب علكم الذكر عفصا النج .

and breaks off with the words :-

ملوة تحل بها العقد

Written in clear Nasta'liq. The text of the Quran, written in red, is in large Naskh.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 156.

foll. 94; lines 12; size 6×4 ; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

A collection of treatises on the correct reading and reciting of the Quran.

Foll. 1^b-4^b. A poetical tract, written for one 'Abd-ur-Ra'ûf.
 Beginning:—

باسك الابتداد يا فتاح بعد حدد و ثقا و مدح خدا

Written in good Nasta'liq by Sayyid 'Abd-ul-Majid of Pandwah for Munshi Muhammad Sa'di Şâḥib of the same place.

Dated 5th Jumada II., A H. 1223,

II. Foll. 7a-20b. Another poetical tract.

Beginning:-

ابددا كودم بعلام الغيسوب مقزل الايات سقار العيوب

In the colophon it is called إينة القارى.

Written in ordinary Nim Shikastah by Shaykh Madin-Ullah

Dated Rabi' II., the 27th regnal year?

III. Foll. 236-35. Another tract, called in the colophon

Beginning:-

التحمد لله رب العالمين ... اى طالب تلاوت قران مجيد .

Written in the same hand as the preceding tract. The Arabic

quotations, in larger Naskh, are written with all vowels.

IV. Foll. 36a-49a. A similar tract by Nusrat bin 'Umar alias Iskandar. نصرت بن عمر عرف احتدر Written by the scribe of the preceding copy. Dated 16th Jumâdâ I., the 28th regnal year?

V. Foll. 51°-60°. This tract, called مقصود القاري, was composed by Nûr-ud-Dîn Qârî نور الدين قاري during the time of the Emperor Jahângîr (A.H. 1014-1037 = A.D. 1605-1628). Written by the scribe of the preceding tract.

Beginning:-

بعد از حمد و صلوات اين چدد مطور النو .

VI. Foll. 636. A tract entitled وقعه القاري by Sayyid Qâsim 'Ali, ميد قام على, composed in Shawwâl, A.H. 1196 — A.D. 1781, at the request of his uncle Muhammad Afâd-ud-Dîn ul-Hasanî. The first six folios are written in good Nasta'lîq and the remaining in Nîm Shikastah hand.

Dated 9th Rabî II, the 27th regnal year (the corresponding A.H. given in the colophon here is vague and illegible) correspond-

ing with 1192 Bengali year.

(4) Traditions of Muhammad and the Imams.

No. 157.

foll. 14; lines 18; size 9\ \ 6; 6\ \ \ 3\.

ترجمة من كلمة

TARJUMAH-I-SAD KALIMAH.

A Persian paraphrase of the popular hundred sayings of 'Ali bin Abû Talib, by the celebrated poet Rashid-ud-Din Watwat, who held the post of Chief Secretary under Atsīz (A.H. 535-551 — A D. 1140-1156) and his son Îl-Arslân (A.H. 551-568 — A.D. 1156-1172) of the Khwarazm Shahi dynasty, and died in A.H. 578 — A.D. 1182.

Beginning:-

It is dedicated (fol. 20) to Sultán Sháh Abul Qásim Mahmúd, son of Îl-Arslân Khwârazm Sháh.

The prose paraphrase of each saying is followed by a Qit'ah of two verses.

A metrical translation of some of these sayings written in a later hand on the margins, begins thus on fol. 2a.

Dr. Rieu, ii, p. 553, notices a paraphrase in Persian quatrains by the said poet, dedicated to the same Sultan Shah, which, he adds, was edited by Fleisher in 1837.

A beautiful copy. Written in elegant Naskh within gold and

coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece,

The headings are written in red on gilt and floral designed ground.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 158.

foll. 266; lines 20; size 111 × 71; 81 × 41.

شرح ديوان علي SHARH-I-DÎWÂN-I-'ALÎ.

A Persian commentary upon the Arabic Diwan of 'Ali bin Abû Tâlib, by Husayn bin Mu'in-ud-Din ul Maybudi, with the takhallus Mantiqi حسين بن معين الدين الميدني المنظم المنطقي الدين الميدني الميدني الدين الميدني المنطقي who was put to death by order of Shâh Ismâ'il in Yazd, A H. 910 — A D. 1504. It was completed according to the concluding lines in Şafar, A.H. 890, the year 406 of the Jalâli era (— A.D. 1485).

Beginning:-

The preface is followed by a long prolegomena on metaphysical, psychological, and mystical matters divided into seven sections called مرائع ميندي. They are often found as a separate work under the name of فرائع ميندي. These seven sections are as follows:—

- 1. حماوک اصفیا حت که مساوک اصفیا حت الله the true path followed by the elect), on fol. 36.
- . (God's essence), on fol. 11b فاتحة ثانيه در ذات حق تعالى و تقدس . ا
- ناته در اسا ر مفات (God's names and attributes), on fol. 176.
- ناتحة رابعه در انسان كبير .4 (the "greater-man," i.e. the macrocosm), on fol. 23%.
- ناتها خامسه در انسان صغیر (the "lesser man," i.e. the microcosm, on fol, 34°.
- 6. التحق سادسة در نبوت و واليت (Prophecy and Saintship), on fol. 43%.
- 7. فاتحة سابعة در فضايل و احوال مرتضى عليه السلام (the prerogatives of 'Ali and the history of his life), on fol. 55°.

The following abbreviations used in the prolegomena as well as in the commentary can be explained as follows:—

most probably a mistake for محيي الدين سمح, i.e. Muhyiud-dîn ibn 'Arabi.

ه محمود عن i.e. Shaykh Mahmud Shabistari.

E (negligently written b) - bila, i.e. Hafix of Shiraz.

ابن فارض = (م Ibn-i-Farid) في المارض = (negligently written)

. — مثنوي i.e. the Masnawi of Jalal-ud-Din Rumi.

"The commentary on 'Ali's Diwan begins thus on fol. 69":—
الفاس من جبهة التثال اكفاء النج مفهوم تعريف اشارتست
به تعيين و نميز *

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq with casual corrections on the margin.

The donor of this library says in a note on the fly-leaf that he purchased this MS, for Rs. 5/- only.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 159.

foll. 131; lines 21; size 72×5; 52×2.

ترجبة شبائل النبي

TARJUMAH-I-SHAMA'IL-UN-NABI.

A Persian commentary on the Shama'il-un-Nabi of Abl 'Isa Muhammad bin 'Isa bin Saurah Tirmidi (d. A.H. 279 — A.D. 892) treating of the personal features, manners, practices and characters of the prophet, by Ḥáji الغثير التعقير التي رحمه الله الراجي المسمى (fol. 131°), who completed it in Jumada, A.H. 988—A.D. 1580.

Beginning:-

The commentator was a pupil of Shaykh Shihab-ud-Din Ahmad bin Hajar ul-Makki (d. A.H. 973 = AD. 1565), who also wrote a commentary on the Shama'il-un-Nabi, cf. fol. 2a. The original work شمائل النبي has been printed in Calcutta, A.H. 1252, with a Hindûstânî translation entitled.

Written in learned but ungraceful Nasta'liq within colouredruled borders with occasional emendations on the margin written in the same hand as the text.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

No. 160.

foll. 282; lines 21; size $9\frac{1}{4} \times 6$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3$.

ترجمهٔ نطب شاهی TARJUMAH-I-QUTUB SHÂHÎ.

A Persian translation of, and detailed commentary on, the famous Forty Traditions (چہل حدیث) of Bahā-ud-Dîn Muḥam-mad ul-'Âmilî (d. A.H. 1030 — A.D. 1620), by Muḥammad bin 'Alī, better known as Ibn-i-Khātîm ul-'Âmilî محمد بن علي المعروف , who wrote it at the desire of Sulţān Muḥammad Quṭub Shāh bin Quṭubshāh of Golconda (A.H. 989-1020 — A.D. 1581-1611).

Beginning:-

A detailed index of the contents occupies the first fourteen folios of the MS.

The forty traditions are :-

حدیث اول در ثواب کسی که چهل حدیث حفظ نماید .fol. 176 حدیث دوم در مرتبهٔ کسی که شفاخت خدا حاصل کرده باشد .fol. 286 حدیث سوم در ثواب ادلی نمازهای پنجگانه .fol. 370 حدیث چهارم در بیان رضوی بیانی پیغیبر صلی الله علید و آلد و سلم ...fol. 41°

حدیث پنجم در تعلیم وضو امیر المومنین علي کرم الله وجه به محمد حنیفه و دعاهای که در اثنای وضو خواندن آن سنت است الم

حديث ششم در تيم بياني . ٦٤٠٠

حديث هفتم در نماز بياني . 820.

حديث هشتم در بيان زكوة . 599. f. 899.

حديث فهم در فضل و شوف ماه معارك رمضان . f. 900

حدیث دهم در فضیلت حم و مقاسک آن . f. 1030

در بیان جهاد ، 1050 f. 1050

حديث دواودهم در امر معروف و نهي منكر . 1110.

حديث سيزدهم در انكه طلب روزي آز وجه حلال مي بايد . f. 115b. حديث چهاردهم سندى كه امير المومنين علي رضي الله عنه بجهت خريدن خانهٔ قاضي شريع انشا فرموده . f. 119º.

در نهي از اعانت ظالم . در نهي از اعانت ظالم . 1240.

حديث شافزدهم دعاتي أمير المومنين علي رضي الله عنه جهت اداي قرض . 1290

حدیث هفدهم در تنزیه انبیا علیم السلام از مناهی . . f. 130% حدیث هیجدهم در باب کسی که هم نشینی و اختلاط با از باید کرد . . f. 144%

حديث نوزدهم فشانيدن يهودي حضرت رسالت را صلى الله عليه و آله و سلم بواسطة طلب حق خود . 1466 .

حدیث بیستم حکایت صور تیسی علیه السلام با حواریان به دیهی که صودم آن صوده بودند . f. 148%

حدیث بیست و یکم سوال سلیم بن قیس از امیر المومذین علی
کرم الله وجهه از دروغ بستن مردم برپیغمبرصلی الله علیه و آله
و سلم و جواب آن حضرت .6. 1540

حديث بيست و درم وصيت امير المومنين علي رضي الله عنه بامام حسن رضي الله عنه . 1626 . ع حديث بيست و سوم در پرهيز كردن از گذاه . 1710 . 1 حدیث بیست و چهارم در ذم فعض گویان و بی حیایان . f. 1714 حدیث بیست و پنجم در کنیز خریدن حضرت عایشه رضی الله تعالی عنها و آزاد کردن . . f. 173%

حديث بيست و ششم نقل حضرت رسالت على الله عليه و آله و سلم حديث قدسي وا كه كلكم ضال الامن هديت . f. 1776.

حدیث بیست و هفتم دران که سوگفد خوردن فرزند و بنده و زن بی اذن پدر و صاحب و شوهر صحیح نیست . f. 1856

حدیث بیست و هشتم حکم امیر المومنین علي رضي الله عنه میان در کس که توشهٔ خود را یا راه گذري خورده بودند . 1920.

حدیث بیست و نهم در جمع کردن رخت خود را از زیر ران مفلس و عتاب حضرت پیغمبر صلی الله علیه و آله و سلم باو . . 6, 1936

حديث سي ام درنهي رسول خدلي على الله عليه و آله و سلم از بعض اصور وبيان معني گذاه كبيرة و صغيرة . f. 194b.

حدیث سي و یکم در انکه در عمل سنت حدیث ضعیف کافي ست . f. 216%

حدیث سي و دوم تعلیم پیغمبر علیه الصلوة و السلام بشیعهٔ هذای دعائی بواسطه سالم ماقدن از امراض در دنیا و دعائی بواسطه رستگاری در آخرت . 6. 219%

حديث سي و سيوم در اثبات شاد كردن خاطر مومن . . 6. 222 . ا حديث سي رچهارم در ثواب فاش نكردن قبايع صودم و فرو خوردن خشم خود و تجييز اموات . . 6. 2236

حدیث سي و پنجم در حرمت مومن نزد خدای تعالی و آنکه صلاح حال بندگان نسبت به ایشان به عمل مي آید . 1. 225°

حدیث سي و ششم صحبت امير المومنين علي رضي الله عند باكميل بن زیاد و شكایت آنحضوت از ابنای زمان خود به او .232°.

حديث سي و هفتم در فضيلت نيت از عمل . . f. 2410. حديث شي و هشتم در تربه . f. 2516. حديث سي و نهم در ذكر عذاب قبر و اهوال موت . . f. 2610. حديث چهلم در بدن مثالي . f. 2758. Written in a very neat and beautiful minute Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders on greyish-blue papers with a beautifully illuminated head-piece. The text of the Hadiş (in red) is written in larger Naskh with vowels. The original folios have been mounted on new margins. The top-corners of foll. 120-282 are stained with water.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 161.

foll. 181; lines 30; size 121 × 71; 9×41.

شرح كافي SHARH-I-KĀFĪ.

A Persian commentary on Abû Ja'far Muhammad bin Ya'qûb bin Ishâq ur-Râzî ul-Kulinî's (d, A.H. 328 or 329 = A.D. 939 or 940) famous Shî'ah traditional work الكاني, by Mullâ Khalîl ibn-ul-Gâzî ul-Qazwînî ملا خليل ابن الغازي القريني (d. A.H. 1089 = A.D. 1678), who wrote it at the request of his royal patron Shâh 'Abbâs II of Persia (A.H. 1052-1077 = A.D. 1642-1667).

An index to the whole Arabic work is given on fol. 186; according to that it is subdivided into thirty-three books (كتاب) or even into thirty-four, if the كتاب الرفة is added, but it, according to another authority, does not really belong to the كاني. These thirty-three books are as follows:—

العقل العقل: 2. كتاب العجدة 3. كتاب التوحيد 2. كتاب العقل 3. ألايمان و الكفر كتاب العشرة 7. كتاب العشرة 5. كتاب العشرة 7. كتاب العشرة 7. كتاب العشرة 7. كتاب العين 9. كتاب الطهارة 8. كتاب الصلوة 11. كتاب الطهارة 12. كتاب الصلوة 13. كتاب الطهارة 13. كتاب الحين 13. كتاب الزكوة 13. كتاب الجهاد 15. كتاب النوعة 14. كتاب النوعة 15. كتاب النوعة 16. كتاب العيشة 18. كتاب الناكاح 17. كتاب العيشة 18. كتاب العين 20. كتاب العتن و التدبير و الكتابة 20. كتاب الطلاق كتاب التي و التجيل 25. كتاب العلاق 21. كتاب الطعنة 23. الطلاق كتاب الزي و التجيل 25. كتاب الأطعنة 23. كتاب الطعنة 23. إلا النواد 24. كتاب الراب 25. كتاب الراب 26. كتاب المحدود 29. كتاب الراب 30. كتاب الإيمان و الندور و الكفارات 31. كتاب الراب الأياب و الندور و الكفارات 33. كتاب الراب الأيمان و الندور و الكفارات 33. كتاب الراب الرابة المحدود 33. كتاب الراب الأيمان و الندور و الكفارات 33. كتاب الراب الراب الرابة في 10. كتاب الراب الراب المحدود 30. كتاب الراب الراب الرابة في 10. كتاب الراب الراب المحدود 30. كتاب الراب الراب المحدود 30. كتاب الراب الراب الراب المحدود 30. كتاب الراب الراب الراب المحدود 30. كتاب الراب الراب المحدود 30. كتاب الراب المحدود 30. كتاب الراب الراب الراب الراب الراب المحدود 30. كتاب الراب الراب الراب المحدود 30. كتاب الراب المحدود 30. كتاب الراب الراب المحدود 30. كتاب المحدود 30. كتاب الراب المحدود 30. كتاب الر

tion: Tusi has entirely omitted the كتاب العشرة (book 7) and the كتاب العقيدة (book 18); he has besides counted as one book the كتاب الطهارة and the كتاب الطهارة (which form here four books altogether, viz. 8, 9, 23, and 24).

The present commentary, comprising however only books 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, is extant in three volumes bound separately.

Vol. I containing the first two books, the كتاب العقل (fol. 190) and the كتاب الترحيد (fol. 710), begins thus with a preface:—

In the concluding line the commentator says that he completed the second book (کتاب الترحید) on Wednesday, the 24th of Muharram, A.H. 1066 — A.D. 1655.

No. 162.

foll, 154; lines and size same as above.

Vol. II.

This volume, comprising books 5, 6, and 7, viz. كتاب الدعاء (fol. 1b), كتاب نضل القراي (fol. 98°), and كتاب نضل القراي (fol. 129°), begins thus:—

The commentator says in the beginning that after finishing the commentary on the first four books, he commenced this commentary on the fifth book الناب الدعا. In the conclusion he informs us that he finished the seventh book on Thursday, the 27th of Jumâdâ, A.H. 1069 = A.D. 1658.

No. 163.

foll. 168; lines and size, same as above.

Continuation of the preceding copy.

This volume containing the commentary on the 8th, 9th, and 10th books of the كناب الطهارة , viz. كناب العيض (fol. 16) كناب العيارة (fol. 80°), and كناب العيائز (fol. 80°), begins thus:—

التعمد لله رب العالمين حمدا كثيرا و الصلوة على سيد الولين و الآخرين .

The commentator states in the beginning that he commenced to write this commentary on the منافي in Shawwâl, A.H. 1064 — A.D. 1653, completed the first seven books in five years, and began the eighth (مَنَابِ الطَّهَارِةُ) in A.H. 1069 — A.D. 1658. The concluding line says that the commentary on the مناب الجنائز (book 10) was finished on Saturday, the 23rd of Rajab, A.H. 1070 — A.D. 1659.

The commentary was lithographed at Lucknow, 1891.

All the volumes are written by one scribe in beautiful minute Naskh within gold and coloured-ruled borders, with an illuminated head-piece at the beginning of each volume.

The Arabic text is overlined red. The text is introduced by the word اصل, the commentary by شرح, and the explanation by يعنى.

A seal of a certain Zayn-ud-Dîn Ahmad Khân Bahâdur, dated

A.H. 1229, is found in all the Volumes.

The colophon of the first volume is dated A.H. 1070.

No. 164.

foll. 233; lines 13; size 81×7; 61×4.

كحل الجواهر

KUHL-UL-JAWAHIR.

A work on the prerogatives of 'Ali treating of his miracles, noble deeds and qualities, etc., based on the Qurân, Ḥadīş and the sayings of holy persons. The author, evidently a staunch Shî'ah, gives 'Ali undue preference over the other three Khalifs and heaps insults upon them and their followers:—

كس قامة انوار تجلي فقويسد النو .

The name of the author or the title of the work is not given in the text, but in an endorsement on fol. 1a it is called كعمل الجواهر.

The copy is defective towards the end and breaks off abruptly with the words:—

ميغرمايد كه ام تحسدون الفلس على .

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century. (5) Asceticism and Sufism (Prose works). (For Poetical works see Poetry).

No. 165.

foll. 296; lines 17; size 112×71; 91×41.

كنو المالكين

KANZ-US-SALIKIN.

An ethico-mystical work containing religious teaching, moral precepts and pious observances, from a Sufic standpoint, intermixed with quotations from the Qurân, Hadis, sayings of holy men and poets, the spiritual meaning of which is developed in prose and occasionally illustrated by some apologue or anecdote, by the well-known Sufic author Khwajah Abū Isma'il 'Abd Ullah Anşarı ul-Harawi, خواجه ابر اسباعيل عبد الله انصاري البرري, who was born A.H. 396 — A.D. 1005, and died A.H. 481 — A.D. 1088,

Beginning:-

المحمد الله رب العالمين و العاقبة للمتثين و الصلوة و السلام على خير خلقه أما بعد چنبن گويد اضعف عباد الله المحتاج الى الماري عبد الله الانصاري الح •

It is divided into twenty-five chapters.

An index of the contents is given at the beginning of the MS.

Written in clear Indian Ta'liq with rubrications, with a few
additions and emendations on the margins.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 166.

foll. 439; lines 23; size 81×41; 61×3.

كيمياي سعادت

KİMIYA-I-SA'ADAT.

A very valuable copy of the popular ethico-mystical work treating of the religious and moral obligations of a true Muslim, the external and the spiritual lives, man's duty to God, the qualities conducive to salvation, etc. etc., by Muhammad bin Muhammad ul-Gazâli uṭ-Ṭûsî محمد بي محمد الغزالي الطوسي who was born A.H. 450 = A.D. 1058, and died A.H. 505 = A.D. 1111.

Beginning:-

شکر و سیاس فراوان بعدد ستارهٔ آسمان و قطرهٔ باران و برگ درختان و ریگ بدایان الع ه

This work, which may be considered as a popular abridgment of the author's own Arabic work احياء على الدين, to which he refers in the preface to the present work, and the arrangement of which it follows, is divided into a preface and four books (وكن), each of which comprises ten chapters (اعادا). The preface itself is subdivided into four chapters (عادا). A detailed description of the contents is given on fol. 4°.

It has been printed in Calcutta, without date, and lithographed in Lucknow A H. 1279 and 1282, and in Bombay 1883.

Written in a very beautiful minute Naskh within gold and coloured-ruled borders, with a profusely illuminated and luxuriously decorted double-page 'Unwan in the beginning. The third and the fourth Rukn begin with a beautifully illuminated frontispiece The Arabic quotations and the divisions are written in gold, blue and red.

The scribe عبد اللطيف بي محمد بي عبد اللطيف الكاتب says that he completed the transcription on Monday the 12th of Rabi' I., A.H. 903.

A note on fol 439b says that this copy was transcribed from,

and collated with, the author's copy.

A very valuable copy, written mostly in the author's hand, is preserved in the Bankipur Library.

No. 167.

foll. 277; lines 17; size 10×61; 71×41.

THE SAME.

A defective and damaged copy of the preceding work. The MS. is defective at the beginning and opens abruptly with the words سيوم از كتاب كيميلى سعادت در مهلكات ر آن نيز ده اصل است corresponding with line 11, fol. 44, of the preceding copy.

Written in a very clear Indian Ta'liq, except the first six folios which are written in ordinary Ta'liq. Several folios are loosened and many pasted over with thick patches.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 168.

foll. 132; lines 25; size 112×71; 91×51.

THE SAME.

A still more defective copy of the same work. Folios are missing at the beginning as well as towards the end. It opens abruptly with the words:—

و پوست و الوشت ظاهر بیش نشناسی .

Written in ordinary but legible Indian Ta'liq. The upper portion of the latter half of the copy is worm-eater and damaged, but fortunately the text is not affected.

Not dated, 19th century.

No. 169.

foll, 118; lines 15-21; size 9 × 5); 6} × 3}.

انيس الارواح ANIS-UL-ARWÂH.

Discourses of Khwājah 'Uşmān Hārūni written down from his lips by his disciple and successor the celebrated Khwājah Mu'in-ud-Din Chishti حواجه معين الدين جشتي (d. A.H. 633 — A.D. 1235), who established the Chishti order in India.

Beginning:-

التحمد لله رب العالمين و العاقبة للمتقيلي ... بدان اسعدك الله تعالى ابن اخبار و أثّار و احوال اوليا .

According to the preface these discourses were uttered in twenty-eight successive sittings in the mosque of Khwajah Junayd at Bagdad. The sittings (عجاس) are as follows:—

مجلس اول سخی در ایمان افتاده بود . . fol. 40 مجلس درم سخی در مفاجات . . fol. 50 مجلس میوم سخی در خرابی شهر افتاده بود . . fol. 70 مجلس میارم سخی در فرمانبرداری زنان افتاده . fol. 86 .

مجلس بنجم سخن در صدقه دادن افقاده . (12) مجلس ششم سخن در شراب خوردن انتاده . fol. 146. مجاس هغتم سخی در آزار مومنان انتاد: . fol. 160. مجلس هشتم سطن در قذف گفتی انتاده . fol. 180. مجلس فهم سعفی در کسب افقاده ، fol. 20% مجلس دهم سخی در مصیبت افتاده . fol. 229. مجلس بازدهم سطی در کشتی جانوران . fol. 24a. مجلس دوازدهم سخن در سلام گفتن . fol. 24b مجلس سيزدهم در نماز افتاده . fol. 259. مجلس چهاردهم سخن در سورهٔ فاتحه و اخلاص افتاده . «fol. 27 مجلس بانزدهم سخن در صفت جنت انتاده 276. fol. 276. مجلس شانزدهم سخن در فضیلت مسجد افتاده . 486. fol. 286. مجلس هفندهم سخن در دنیا و مال گرد کردن افتاده . Fol. 299. - جلس هزدهم سخن در عطسه (To Sneeze) انتاده مودهم مجلس نوردهم سخن در بانک نماز انتاده . «Tol. 30» مجلس بیستم سخن در مومن افتاده . fol. 326. مجلس بیست و یکم سخی در حاجت روا کردی مؤمنان . (fol. 33% مجلس بيست و دويم سخن در آخر الزمان . fol. 344. مجلس بیست و سیوم سخن در یاد کردن مرگ fol. 35. مجلس بیست و چهارم سطی در چراغ فرستادی در مسجد . fol 350. مجلس بیست و پنجم سخن در درویشی و فقر . . fol. 36 م مجلس بیست و ششم در شلوار دراز پایچه .fol. ib. مجلس بیست و هفتم سطی در عالمان و امیران . قاد آمان مجاس بیست و هشتم سخی در توبه . 370. fol. 370

Written in careless Indian Ta'liq with the headings in red. The copy is full of clerical mistakes.

Dated 1164 Bengali year.

The above treatise is followed by a fragment of a theological work (foll. 39-118) dealing with Muhammadan ecclesiastical law, comprising purification or ablutions, prayers, alms, fasting and pilgrimage, chiefly based on the traditions of the Prophet.

It opens abruptly :-

که از صحابه در زمان آنحضرت اجتهاد واقع میشد و بر مجترد ملامت نیست اگرچه ثواب نکند .

and breaks off :-

دمیده میشود دران و در بعضی شرح و هدایه ...

Written in minute Ta'liq with the Arabic quotations overlined in red.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

The MS, is separated from the original binding and is in a damaged condition.

No. 170.

foll, 119; lines 15; size 9×5; 51×21.

واحت الملقلوب

RÂHAT-UL-QULÛB.

Discourses and teachings of the celebrated saint Farid-ud-Din, surnamed Ganj-i-Shakar (d. A.H. 664 = A.D. 1265), taken down from his lips by his disciple Nizām Aḥmad Badâ'ûnî نظام المحد. The date of completion of the work, given in the preface, is Wednesday, the 16th of Rajab, A.H. 656 = A.D. 1258.

Beginning:-

التحمد الله رب العالمين ابن جواهر گفع الهام رباني و اين زواهر فضل علوم سبنحاني .

Written in clear Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders, Dated 10th Jumada, A.H. 1020.

رفقي الله شين محمد فاروقي--: Scribe

No. 171.

foll, 112; lines 12; size $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

نوهة الارباح NUZHAT-UL-ARWÂH.

A Şûfî work in mixed prose and verse treating of the nature and rules of the spiritual life, illustrated by anecdotes and sayings of holy men, by Husayn bin 'Alim bin Abul Hasan ul-Husaynî مسيني بن عالم بن أبر العسى العسيني (d. A.H. 718 = A.D. 1318), who completed it according to the concluding lines (fol. 1129) in A.H. 711 = A.D. 1311.

The work begins thus after a short prolegomena of five lines by a different person:—

التحمد لله رب العالمين على كل حال قال سيدنا و موليذا لله رب العالمين على التحسيذي قدس الله روحه after which the usual beginning of the work reads thus:—

The work is divided into 28 chapters, ... Written in ordinary Nasta'liq.
Dated 7th Sha'ban, A.H. 1066.
Scribe:—Jan. hi.

The MS, is worm-eaten in some places.

No. 172

foll. 287; lines 15; size 101 × 71; 62 × 31.

غرج نزها الارداح SHARH-I-NUZHAT-UL-ARWAH.

A commentary on the preceding work by 'Abd-ul-Wâḥid Ibrāhim عبد الراحد ابراهيم, completed A.H. 985 — A.D. 1577.

Beginning :-

The commentary begins on fol, 29.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq on papers of various colours within coloured-ruled borders. The text is over-lined in red.

The MS, ends with the commentary on the following verse belonging to the latter portion of the 27th chapter, corresponding with line 1, fol. 109^b, of the preceding copy:—

In order to give an air of completeness to the MS., a colophon, dated 6th Sha'ban, A.H. 1258, with the scribe's name شيع محمدي, is added at the end.

No. 173.

foll. 643; lines 17; size 103×7; 63×31.

فصل الخطاب

FASL-UL-KHITAB.

An encyclopaedia of Sufic lore, containing extracts from the works of the greatest Arabic and Persian mystics, with an account of the lives, deeds and sayings of the Prophet, the Khalifs, the twelve Imâms and the renowned saints and mystics, based upon the most authentic Sunni sources, to the exclusion of Shi'ah traditions, which are rejected as arrant heresies, by Muhammad bin Muhammad bin Mahmûd ul-Hâfizî ul-Bukhârî, commonly known as Khwâjah Muhammad Pârsâ المعارف المعارف به خواجه معمد بارحال (d. A.H. 822 — A.D. 1420).

Beginning, on fol. 123b :-

العصد الله الدَّالَ لخلقه على وحدائيّة باعلامه و آياته المتعرف الى اوليائه .

The work is preceded by a glossary on it, comprising foll. 13-114. An index of the contents of the work followed by a separate index of the names of the persons occurring in the work is given on foll. 115a-120b. The interesting documents on mysticism, contained in the work, are fully described in Flügel, iii., p. 421. A biographical notice of the author, extracted by the donor from the Nafahât of Jâmî, the Rashhât of Husayn ul-Wâ'iz ul-Kâshifi and the I'lâm-ul-Akhbâr of Maḥmūd-ul-Kafawī, is given on fol. 1a and again on fol. 121a.

A valuable copy of the work, dated A.H. 845, is preserved in

the Bankipur Library.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq, at the desire of the donor Maulavi Sayyid Sadr-ud-Din Ahmad, by Talib-ur-Rahman of Mangal Kothi. Dated Friday, the 4th of Assin, 1297 Bengal year.

No. 174.

foll. 256; lines 19; wize 91×7; 67×4.

تحقيقات

TAHQÎQÂT.

A dogmatic work on the principles and doctrines of Sufism, with an exposition of the nature and different stages of the Sufic road (الله) and of spiritual life in general, including a mystical

explanation of the letters of the Arabic alphabet and ninety-nine attributes of God.

Beginning:-

التعمد لله الذي اخترع ماهيات الاشياء بغيض وجودة النم .

Neither the title of the work nor the name of its author is given in the text, but in an endorsement on fol. 1st, apparently belonging to the same period as the MS, itself, it is called the Taḥqiqât of Khwājāh Pārsah, evidently identical with the same Muḥammad bin Muḥammad bin Maḥmūd ul-Ḥāfizī ul-Bukhārī, commonly known as Khwājah Muḥammad Pārsā, noticed in the preceding No.

The endorsement written in red Naskh runs thus:-

عدًا كمنا (ب) تعقيقات من مصنفات حضرت خواجه محمد بارسا

قدس سولا ۽

The MS. is written by different hands:-

Foll, 16-86 in careless Nas'th and Nasta'liq.

Foll. 9a-40b in ordinary Nasta'liq.

Foll. 41a-136b in good Nasta'liq.

Foll. 1370-2565 in the same hand as the first eight folios.

Marginal notes and emendations are occasional. The following note at the end says that this MS, was compared with a copy belonging to پاینده اخصیای

قد وقع الفواغ من مقابلة هذه النسخة الشريفة بنسخة حضرت عدايت منزلت ولايت مرتبت سالك مسالك الشريعة مالك ممالك الطريقة عوث الانام ملاذا حضرت ملا باينده اخصيئتي نور الله مضجعه .

Dated, Rajab, A.H. 1023.

The margins of the folios, mostly of the latter half of the MS., are worm-eaten.

No. 175.

foll. 440; lines 21; size $12\frac{\pi}{4} \times 8\frac{\pi}{4}$; $9 \times 5\frac{\pi}{4}$.

لطائف اشرفي LATA'IF-I-ASHRAFÎ.

The discourses of Sayyid Ashraf Jahangir Simnani, who came to Bengal, became a disciple of 'Ala ul-Ḥaqq Lahauri Bangali (d.

A.H. 784 — A.D. 1382), and finally settled in a village near Jaunpûr, where he died shortly after A.H. 840 — A.D. 1436, collected by his disciple Nizâm-un-Dîn Yamanî, who calls himself in the preface نظام عابي اليمنى

Beginning:-

التحمد لله الذي شرف العارفين بتشريف العوفان و الايقان .

It is divided into a Muqaddimah, sixty Latifahs, and a Khātimah, described on foll. 35-5a.

Written in bold Indian Ta'liq within coloured-ruled borders.
The copy is collated throughout and is full of corrections, emendations, and marginal notes

Foll. 98-99 and 381-388 are bound upside down. The last

five folios really belong to the 52nd Latifah.

The scribe البي شيع كالو says that he transcribed the copy at the desire of ميرسيد اشرفي and ميرسيد اشرفي.

Dated A.H. 1108.

No. 176.

foll. 245; lines 15; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5$; 6×3 .

مكتوبات الهرف

MAKTÜBÂT-I-ASHRAF.

Letters of the same Sayyid Ashraf Jahangir-us-Simnani, edited by his successor Haji 'Abd-ur-Razzaq ul-Hasani ul-Husayni us-Simnani ul-Jilani, in A.H 869 — A.D. 1464.

Beginning:-

The letters, a full table of which is given on foll. 26-86, are 75 in number. The headings of the last two letters are wanting. The two appendices, viz. (1) A Khātimah, consisting of genealogical tables, showing the spiritual filiation of the saints from Muhammad to the time of the composition, and (2) A Takmilah, consisting of a manual of general history, from the earliest times to the period of Ashraf, found in the British Museum copy, is wanting in this MS.

The first nine folios are written in good Nasta'liq and the

remaining portion of the MS. in careless Ta'liq.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 177.

foll. 385; lines 25; size 91×6; 61×31.

مكتوبات عبد الله قطب MAKTÜBÂT-I-'ABD ULLAH QUTB.

A very rare, old, and extremely valuable copy of about four hundred letters of mystic tendency on various topics of religion, theology and law, philosophy, moral teaching, and mystic theosophy, by 'Abd Ullah Qutb bin Muhyi عبد الله قطب بي محدّي to his spiritual brethren.

Beginning:-

من عبد الله قطب بن محيي الى الخوان الالبين كثرهم الله و بارك عليم لجمعين - فلما انعم الله على اخواننا النو .

Dr. Ethé in his India Office Lib. Cat. No. 1881 (where a copy of this work is noticed), expresses his doubt about the period during which the author flourished. He mentions several names to whom the letters are addressed and remarks thus:—"If the first-named Afdal-ud-Dîn Muḥammad.... should be identical with the father of 'Abd-us-Ṣamad, Afdal Muḥammad, who died A.H. 1003—A.D. 1594, we would have a certain basis for fixing the time in which the author of these letters flourished..... In the letters themselves there is not the slightest date or hint about 'Abd Ullah Quṭb's life."

The following particulars are, however, the result of a careful

survey of the MS. under notice:-

The full name of the author of these letters as given by himself on fol. 6 is: التصريب بن محمود الأنصاري فطب بن محمود الإنصاري (التخريجي) السعدى the last word seems to be a mistake for السغدى.

On the same folio he gives us the following date of a catena (Isnād) written by him:—Friday, the 4th of Rabî' I., A.H. 891

- A.D. 1486.

On fol. 353°, is an Arabic Qaşîdah which the author composed on Thursday, the 20th of Ramadan, A.H. 893 — A.D. 1487.
Fol. 339°. A letter addressed to Shaykh Muḥibb-ud-Dîn Muḥammad, dated Friday, 11th Rajab, A.H. 888 — A.D. 1483.

The names of the persons, to whom the letters are generally

addressed, are as follows:-

عماد الدين جعفر - مجد الدين اسمعيل - علاء الدين ابراهيم - شمس الدين ابي معمد - ركن الدين حس - الدين ابي معمد - ركن الدين حس -

كريم الدين محمد - عماد الدين محمد - غياث - مبارز الدين محمد - شهاب الدين داؤد - افضل الدين - درويش تاج الدين محمد - محب الدين خليل الله - شيخ محمد قصر الله - محمد معين الدين خليل الله - زين العابدين علي محمد - معين الدين خليل الله - زين العابدين علي

The references found in the work are Muhyi-ud-Din Ibn-ul-'Arabi (d. A.H. 656 = A.D. 1258), Farid-ud-Din 'Aṭṭār (d. A.H. 627 — A.D. 1229), Jalāl-ud-Din Rūmī (d. A.H. 672 — A.D. 1273); Imām 'Abd Ullah Yāfi'i (d. A.H. 768 — A.D. 1366); Sa'dī Shīrāzī (d. A.H. 690 — A.D. 1291), Hāfiz of Shīrāz (d. A.H. 791 — A.D. 1388). The special headings of some of the letters enumerated in Ethé loc. cit., are not found in this copy. Although the Sūfic order to which the author belonged, can not be ascertained, it would appear from these letters that his authority on the subject was very high and that he himself was a Sūfī of a very exalted position.

Written in beautiful learned Nasta'liq within gold and colouredruled borders with an illuminated, but now faded, head-piece.

The MS, seems to be slightly defective towards the end where it suddenly breaks off with the heading of a letter addressed to Rukn-ud-Din Hasan:—

The folios, mounted on new margins, are loosened or detached in many places.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

No. 178.

foll, 372; lines 19; size 91×6; 7×4.

مبادات الخواص IBADAT-UL-KHAWAS:

A compendium of Muhammadan theology, law and Süfism, containing directions of a decided Sufic tendency relating to prayers, religious observances, based upon the precepts of the Prophet and other holy men and moral conduct, by the famous Shaysh Muhibb-Ullah of Hahābād منيخ محب الله الله أبادي who died there A.H. 1058 = A.D. 1648.

The copy is defective and full of gaps and many a hiatus. The top corners of the first fourteen folios, supplied lately, have been left blank and several folios are missing at the beginning. It opens abruptly thus:—

In the conclusion the author tells us that he commenced to write the work on the 27th of Ramadán, A.H. 1051 — A.D. 1641, but that he became ill on the 8th of Muharram, A.H. 1052 — A.D. 1652. He, however, set to work again and finished the composition on the 11th of Rabi' I., A.H. 1053 — A.D. 1653.

Spaces for headings are left blank throughout the copy.

Written in different hands :-

Foll. 1-188, in careless small Ta'liq inclined to Nim Shikast.

Foll. 189-220, bold fair Nasta'liq.

Foll. 221-305, the same as foll. 1-188,

Foll, 306-372 large careless Ta'liq inclined to Naskh.

Dated Friday, 11th Safar, A.H. 1130.

حيد شكر الله واد حيد محمد باقر مانكپوري -: Seribe

Occasional marginal notes. The copy is worm-eaten in some places.

No. 179.

foll. 65; lines 13; size 61 × 31; 41 × 11.

شطحيات

SHATHIYYAT.

Suffice aphorisms on mystice doctrine, illustrated by the sayings and deeds of eminent saints and mystics, by prince Dara Shikuh عاراً عليه (d. A.H. 1069 — A.D. 1658), who completed it, according to the preface, in A.H. 1062 — A.D. 1651.

Beginning:-

Each topic, consisting of a saying or deed of a saint or a mystic, is called شط Foll. 1 and 2 are followed by an hiatus. Several folios are also wanting at the end. The title of the work could not therefore be found in the text. In an endorsement on fol. 1°, it is called شطحیات دارا شکرهی

The MS. breaks off with the following words: -

بزرگی گفت محمد را دیدند و نشناختند و خدا را ندیدند و بشناختند آه آه هرکه محمد را نشناخت خدا را نشناخت Written in good Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an ordinary illuminated head-piece.

The MS. is worm-eaten, mended and pasted over in many

places.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 180.

foll. 178; lines 19; size 101 x 6; 72 x 4.

نور القلوب NÜR-UL-QULÜB.

The discourses, spiritual teachings and miraculous deeds of Sūfi Abādānī, who, according to this work (fol. 36b), was born in A.H. 1151 — A.D. 1738, and died (fol. 119b) 18th Rabi II., A.H. 1220 — A.D. 1805, together with an account of his spiritual guide Shaykh Muhammad Hayā Sindhī (d. A.H. 1188 — A.D. 1774, cf. fol. 34b), his followers, and descendants, and contemporary Shaykhs, by his disciple Sayyid Amjad 'Alī سيد المجدد على who completed the work in A.H. 1226 — A.D. 1811.

Beginning:-

هزاران هزار شكر و سياس مر احديرا كه مصباح القلوب العارفين رأ به تجليات ذات مذور ساخت .

The work begins with a short historical account of the Prophet and the four early Khalifs. It is divided into five chapters, each of which is sub-divided into several sections, enumerated on foll. 17^b-18^a.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq on thick papers at the desire of one Mirzā Fayyād-ud-Din.

Dated Friday, 1st Sha ban, A.H., illegible. The year of transcription given here reads سنه يكبرار..., شش هجرى, probably 1206.

No. 181.

foll. 47; lines 15; size $10 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $7\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

مناقب فوثيه MANÂQIB-I-GAUŞIYAH.

A treatise on the prerogatives and the miraculous deeds of the great saint Shaykh 'Abdul Qâdir Jîlânî (d. A.H. 561 — A.D. 1165), by Muḥammad Ṣādiq Shihābī محمد صادق شهابي.

العمد لله الذي جعل كرامات الولي الع •

Written in careless Indian Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 182.

foll, 36; lines 15; size 71×5; 51×21.

كمال السالكين

KAMÂL-US-SÂLIKÎN.

A mystical tract containing some discourses and sayings of Shah Ni'mat Ullah Yamani ul-Jilani, who, according to an endorsement on a fly-leaf at the beginning, was a disciple of the famous devotee Farid-ud-Din surnamed Shakarganj (d. A.H. 664 — A.D. 1265), collected by his disciple Khadim.

Beginning:-

مهاس قدسي اساس مرملكي را كه آرائش عالم و نظام كارخانة بني آدم بيد قدرت اوست .

The discourses, which, according to the preface, were uttered on various occasions, relate to various points of mystical doctrine and maxims of Sufism, followed by the mystical meanings of the 99 attributes of God.

Written in ordinary Ta'liq.

Dated Tuesday, 26th Rabi' I. (the year is not given), apparently 19th century.

. عبد الغلي ولد محمد حسين --: Scribe

No. 183.

foll. 153; lines 13; size 7×4; 51×3.

درر نظامیه

DURAR-I-NIZÂMIYAH,

The discourses and utterances of the celebrated saint Nizāmud-Dîn Auliyâ (d. A.H. 725 — A.D. 1324), taken down from his lips by one of his disciples, whose name, fol. 17°, on account of a stain, is only partly legible thus:—

بندة اميدوار لطف رسول مختار على بن محمود جاندار ...

تحميد لا فهاية و تسبيم بي غايت مر خدايرا كه ...

The well-known poet Mir Hasan's collection of the saint's discourses, entitled فوائد الغواد (Rieu, p. 972a), and another collection entitled راحت المعبين (Rieu, p. 973b), are different from the present collection.

All the folios of the MS, are covered throughout with a kind of thin paper, which in may instances renders the text indistinct

and even illegible.

Written in fair Nasta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 184.

foll. 97; lines 13; size 81 x 51; 6 x 31.

ملفوظات شبخ علاء الدوله

MALFÜZÄT-I-SHAYKH 'ALÄ-UD-DAULAH.

The discourses of the celebrated saint Shaykh 'Alâ-ud-Daulah Simnânî (d. A.H. 736 = A.D. 1335), collected by Iqbâl bin Sâbiq us-Sîjistânî. اتبال بن سابق السجستاني.

Beginning -

التحمد الله رب العالمين و العاقبة للمتقين و الصلوة و بعد ابن فوايد چذد است كه حضرت شيم السلام .

The work is not divided into chapters or sections.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq, within coloured-ruled borders.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 185

foll. 148; lines 17; size 91×6; 61×3.

ترجئة خلاصة المفاخر

TARJUMAH-I-KHULASAT-UL-MAFAKHIR.

A Persian translation of 'Abd Ullah Yafi'i's (d. A.H. 768 — A.D. 1366) Khulasat-ul-Mafakhir, by an anonymous author. The original work consists of two hundred stories, but only 193 are found in this copy of the translation.

الحمد لله رب العالمين ... ميكويد اضعف العباد اصلح الله شانه كه چون كتاب خلاصة المفاخر •

These stories, which mostly refer to the great saint Shaykh 'Abdul Qâdir Jîlânî (d. A.H. 561 — A.D. 1165), relate to the various doctrines of Sûfism. Each story is preceded by the name of the Shaykh on whose authority it is related.

There are many gaps throughout the copy. The name of Shaykh 'Abdul Qadir is always written in red.

Written in a very neat Nasta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 186.

foll. 202; lines 14; size $7 \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $4\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$.

روضة المالكين

RAUDAT-US-SALIKÎN.

The discourses and sayings of the great saint Khwājah 'Abd-ul-Khāliq of Gujdawān (near Bukhārā), and of the celebrated Khwājah Bahā-ud-Din Naqshband, whose real name was Muḥammad bin Muḥammad ul-Bukhāri, the founder of the Naqshbandi order (d. A.H. 791 — A.D. 1389). The above-named Gujdawāni was a pupil of Khwājah Yūsuf Hamadāni and died A.H. 575 — A.D. 1179. These discourses were collected by 'Alī bin Maḥmūd ul-Abīwardī ul-Kūrāni على بن محمود الايبوردي الكوراني والمناس الكوراني الكو

Beginning:-

Scanty notes on the margin.

Written in fair but learned Nasta'liq on gummy papers, pasted with patches in many places. The margins have been mended throughout. Marginal notes are not infrequent.

Seal

Dated 3rd Sha'ban, A.H. 948.

. بيد نصر الله الحسيني Scribe:

Fol. 1^a contained several seals and 'Ard-didahs of the nobles of the Timuride courts of India, but unfortunately almost all of them have been effaced, disfigured or otherwise rendered illegible.

One seal however reads عالمان خانه زاد بادشاه عالمان.

No. 187.

foll. 188; lines 13; size 71×41; 6×3.

توجهة رسالة فنخر الحس

TARJUMAH-I-RISALAH-I-FAKHR-UL-HASAN.

A Persian translation of Muhammad Fakhr-ud-Din's (who according to this work, fol. 3s, died on 27 Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1199 — A.D. 1784, and was buried at Dihlî near the tomb of Khwâjah Qutb-ud-Dîn Bakhtiyâr Kâki) Arabic treatise, entitled والمانية, containing a Şûfic interpretation of some points on Muhammadan law and theology, such as, prayers, religious observances, moral conduct, etc., based upon the precepts of the Prophet and other holy men, by Kalîm Ullah bin Şan'at Ullah على عند الله عند ا

Beginning:

The work is not divided into any sections or chapters,
Written in careless Indian Ta'liq on various coloured papers.
The Arabic text is over-lined red.

In the colophon the scribe says that he copied the MS. for one Haliz Hasan.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 188.

foll, 180; lines 17; size 11 × 71; 81 × 41.

حقايق الدقايق

HAQA'IQ-UD-DAQA'IQ.

A Ṣūfī work in prose and verse, by Aḥmad Rūmī احمد رومي. Beginning:—

The work consists of eighty chapters, each of which begins with a Quranic verse or Ḥadiş, as a text, followed by a Persian translation, and some appropriate quotations from the Maşnawi of Jalâl-ud-Dîn Rûmi. The spiritual meaning is then developed in prose, and afterwards illustrated by some apologue or anecdote, in the same metre as the Maşnawi.

Written in fair Nasta'liq within red-ruled borders by Asad 'Ali of Jaunpur, pupil of Anwar 'Ali.

Dated 28th Shawwal, A.H. 1272.

No. 189.

foll. 56; lines 13; size 81 × 51; 61 × 4.

محفل عارفان

MAHFIL-I-'ARIFAN.

A Suffi treatise in prose and verse, dealing with the doctrines of spiritual life and the spiritual progress of the soul through its various stages, by an anonymous author.

Beginning:

The work consists of prose and poetical selections from other works, e.g. the Majnawi of Jalal-ud-Din Rûmî, the Gulistan of Sa'di, the Diwân-i-Shams-i-Tabriz, the Gulshan-i-Râz, the Zâd-ul-Musâfirin, the Nuzhat-ul-Arwâh, the Mantiq-ut-Tayr, the Majma'-ul-Bahrayn, etc., etc. The spiritual meaning of each selected passage or line is developed in prose. It is divided into thirty sections, called , the headings of which are enumerated on foll. 15-2a; but the MS. breaks off in the middle of 19th section with the following words:—

گر تخسید بر کشاید مد بصر

Written in ordinary Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 190.

foll. 102; lines 11; size $6\frac{3}{4} \times 4$; $3\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

Collection of Sufi treatises.

I. Foll. 1-88s. A religious tract, without any title, ascribed in the colophon to the popular saint Khwâjah 'Ubayd Ullah Ahrâr (b. A.H. 896 — A.D. 1403, d. A.H. 895 — A.D. 1489), on the various stages of the mystic road and consisting of invocations to God, followed by pious exhortations intended for devotees.

Beginning:-

خداوندا بعوت آنكه بفردانيت ذات متفردي و بوحدانيت صفات متصفي الم .

The work is written in prose, mixed with verses and suitable quotations from the Quran.

Written in a very beautiful Nim-Shikastah hand within coloured-ruled borders.

The Arabic quotations, written in larger Naskh, are in red.

The colophon says that the transcriptions was completed on Monday, the 27th of Ramadan, A.H. 1110, the forty-third regnal year of 'Alamgir, at Peshawar, on the memorable occasion when the army of Bahadur Shah reached that country.

.محمد عليق الله -: Scribe

Dr. Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. Cat. No. 1919 (3), while noticing a copy of the above tract, remarks thus:—"From some incidental remarks we conclude that this treatise is due to 'Alâ-ud-Dîn Muhammad Bukhârî 'Aţţâr, the principal disciple of Bahâ-ud-Dîn Naqshbandî, who died A.H. 802 — A.D. 1400, or at least taken from his sayings." But in the following colophon, to which a reference has been made above, the scribe, who was attached to 'Alamgîr, fully convinces us that the tract in question is due to Khwājah 'Ubayd Ullah Aḥrār:—

تمام شد این رساله کرامي القدر از مصنفات قطب الاقطاب حضرت خواجه عبید الله احرار ولي بتاریخ بیست و هفتم حضرت رمضان روز درشنبه سنه ۱۱۰۱ (۱۱۰۰ (rend ۱۱۱۰) چهل و سه از جلوس همایون عالمگیري خلد الله تعالى ملکه و سلطانه و افاض على العالمین بره و احسانه در بلده پشاور هنگامی که رایات عالیات متعالي درة التاج خلافت و جهانداري بهادر شاهي این سر زمین را منور ساخته بر دست بنده جالی (aio) بدرگاه حضرت الله مصدد عتیق الله سلمه الله و غفر الله له ولوالدیه

II. Foll. 89a-93a. A smaller tract on the nature and rules of spiritual life explained according to the principles observed by Khwajah Baha-ud-Din Naqahband and his Khalifahs.

Beginning with a Ruba'i:-

سر رشته دولت لى برادر بكف آر وبن عمر گرامي بخسارت مگذار دايم همه جا با همه كس در همه حال ميدار نهفته چشم (و) دل جانب يار

Written by the same المعمد عتيق الله

Dated 28th of Ramadan.

III. Foll. 93a-97a. Another mystical tract, inscribed المالية . containing an explanation of the following Rubâ'i of the celebrated Shaykh, Abû Sa'id bin Abul Khayr, who died in A H. 440 = A.D. 1048 by 'Ubayd Ullah Maḥmūd ush-Shāshi عبيد الله صحود الشاشي

مرا بنظاره نگارم صف زد رضوان رتعجب کف خود برکف زد آن خال سیه بران رخان مطرف زد ابدال زبیم چنگ در مصحف زد

The explanation of the Ruba'i is preceded by somewhat detailed introductory remarks on mystical contemplation and speculation.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله فياض التحكيم و المواهب والموصل الى الطالبين .

The explanation itself begins on fol. 96a:-

يقول العبد الضعيف عبيد الله محمود الشاشي كه مراد از حور آن جماعتند از حوران وغير ايشان كه بر سربيمار حاضر مي شوند در حال مردي النو •

IV. Fell. 976-1009. A mystical explanation of some of the sayings of the great Shaykh, Khwajah 'Abd-ul-Khaliq Gujdawani (d. A.H. 575 — A.D. 1179) as interpreted by eminent Shaykhs.

Reginning:

ذكر حضرت خواجه عبد العالق عجدواني قدس سرة از خلفاى حضرت خواجه يوسف هدداني اند هميشه بر متابعت رسول الله على الله عليه و الم مى يودة اند .

It is dated (fol. 100°), Peshawar, the 21st Shawwâl, A.H. 1110, V. Foll. 1016-1026. A special form of certain prayers and invocation used by Khwâjah 'Abd-ul-Khâliq Gujdawâni, Khwâjah Bahâ-ud-Din Naqshbandi, Shaykh Bâyazid Bustâmi, Khwâjah Yusuf Hamadânî, Shaykh Abul Manşûr Mâtaridî and Shaykh Abul Hasan Kharqânî.

Beginning :-

طريق ختم حضوات خواجكان عاليشان قدس الله تعالى ارواحهم النو .

All the tracts are written in the same hand by the same Muhammad 'Atiq Ullah of 'Alamgir's court.

(6) Prayers, Invocations, etc.

No. 191.

foll. 321; lines 15; 121×64; 81×31.

ترجية عدة الدامي TARJUMAH-I-'IDDAT-UD-DÂ'Î,

A book of breviaries or collection of prayers and invocations suitable for all occasions and occurrences in life, based on the Qurân, Ḥadiş, and sayings of the Imāms and holy men, translated from the Arabic work عدة الداعي of Abul 'Abbās Aḥmad bin Fahd ul-Ḥillī by Naṣīr-ud-Din Muḥammad bin 'Abd-ul-Karīm ul-An-ṣārī نصير الدين محمد بن عبد الكريم الانصاري at the desire of Qarāq Khān, a noble of Shāh Ismā'il Safawī I (A.H., 907-930 — A.D. 1502-1524).

There is some confusion regarding the date of death of Ahmad bin Fahd, the author of the Arabic original. Ahlwardt, Brockelmann and several others place the author's death in A.H. 627 = A.D. 1229; while the authors of the Raudât-ul-Jannât, the Kashful-Hujub and others fix his death in A.H. 841 = A.D. 1437. Their view is supported by a statement in the colophon of the present copy, where it is said that Ahmad bin Fahd completed the work on the 26th of Shawwâl A.H. 801 = A.D. 1398.

Beginning:-

بسم الله الرحمٰن الرحيم و منك الستعانة في النميم يا كريم و يا رحيم -جواهر شكو وسياس نشار معبودسي بالنير .

The translation is mentioned in Kashf-ul-Hujub, p. 117.

Written in beautiful bold Naskh within gold and colouredruled borders with a beautifully illuminated head-piece and a sumptuously decorated double page 'Unwan.

The MS, is not dated, but a note on fol. 1° (partly pasted over) bears the date A.H. 1076. The copy is pasted over with

thick patches in many places.

No. 192.

foll. 78; lines 17; size 9×6 ; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{3}{2}$.

غزانة الاحرار KHIZÂNAT-UL-ASRÂR.

A work on the peculiarities and supernatural power of particular verses of the Qurân and the twenty-eight letters of the alphabet, and of certain special prayers and invocations, by Ibn-i-Bahâ-ud-Din 'Ali Maxhar-ud-Din Muhammad ul-Qârî ابن بهاد الدين محمد القاري

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذبي افزل القران على عبدة ليكون للعالمين •

We learn from the preface that in A.H. 916 — A.D. 1510 Maulana 'Abd-ul-'Ali bin Muhammad Husayn wrote a work on this subject in Persian which, as a matter of fact, he translated from several Arabic works; but as it was void of any systematic order of the Quranic verses, the present author wrote this work A.H. 962 — A.D. 1554, arranging the verses in the order in which they stand in the Quran with descriptions of the peculiarities and the supernatural power of each of them. It is divided into twenty chapters, described in the beginning. The copy is defective towards the end and breaks off in the middle of the last chapter. There are several lacunae in consequence of a large number of folios missing from the copy.

Written in a learned Nasta'liq with rubrications. Additions

and emendations are frequently found on the margins.

The copy is worm-eaten but the text is not affected.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 193.

foll. 131; lines 11; size 63×41; 4×2. اَدَابِ عَبَّاسِي ADĀB-I-'ABBĀSĪ.

A rhetorical treatise, translated from Bahâ-ud-Dîn 'Âmîli's (d. A.H. 1030 or 1031 — A.D. 1620 or 1621) "Miftâh-ul-Falâh," relating to the special invocations and prayers, in addition to the usual daily worship, with definite and regular forms, distinctly fixed for the several hours of the day and night.

Translator: Şadr-ud-Din Muhammad of Tabriz عدر الدين محمد

Beginning:

تقديس و نسبيم بانشاء قادريرا كه خلص عبادتش .

It is divided into the following six chapters:
باب اول در بیان انچه از طلوع صبح صابق تا طلوع آفتاب بجا

fol. 3b. باید آورد

باب دویم در بیان انجه از طلوع آفتاب تا وقت ظهر بجا باید آورد . . fol. 51°. باب حیوم در بیان انچه از وقت زوال آفتاب که ظهر است تا وقت فرو رفتی آفتاب بجا باید آورد . . fol. 63°

باب چهارم در بیان انجه از فرر رفتن آفتاب تا وقت خواب بجلی باید آورد . 60l. 81a

باب پنجم در بیان انجه میان وقت خواب تا نصف شب بجای باید آورد . (fol. 95

باب ششم در بیان انجه از نصف شب تا طلوع فجر بجایی باید آورد .«fol. 103»

Written in minute Naskh within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece with scanty notes on the margins.

Dated Sha'ban. A space for the year in which the transcription was made is left blank. Apparently 17th century.

شين عبد الله -: Scribe

No. 194.

foll, 181; lines 16; size 8½ × 4½; 5½ × 2½.

ترجعة مفتاح الغلاج TARJUMAH-I-MIFTAH-UL-FALAH.

Another Persian translation of Bahâ-ud-Dîn's same Miftaḥ-ul-Falâḥ, by Jamâl-ud-Dîn Muḥammad bin Ḥusayn Khwânsârī بال الدين محمد بن حسين خوانساري, who dedicated it to Shâh Ṣafī of Persia (A.H. 1038-1052 — A.D. 1629-1642).

Beginning:-

مفتاح فلاح دنيا وعقبي و مقدمه نجات أخرت و اولى الخ .

In the preface the translator says that besides the translation he has given on the margins notes and explanations (with which the present copy is full) of the difficult passages used in the text.

The translation, which follows the text, is written in red. The marginal notes and explanations are written in small Naskh.

Written in fair Naskh.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 195.

foll, 353; lines 10; size 74×41; 61×31.

مصباح العابدين MISBÂH-UL-'ÂBIDÎN.

A work on the duty of special and extraordinary invocations and prayers, for different months in addition to the usual daily worship, with definite and regular forms fixed for the several hours of the day and night, by Zayn-ul-'Abidin زين العابدين, dedicated to Shâh Ṣafī of Persia (A.H. 1038-1052 — A.D. 1629-1642).

Beginning:-

It is divided into a Muqaddimah (fol. 3a), twelve Matlabs, devoted to the twelve months of the year (fol. 16a), and a Khâtimah (fol. 309b).

Foll. 19-3356 contain similar prayers and invocations.

Written in fair Naskh within coloured-ruled borders with rubrication and a faded head-piece. The margins are worm-eaten. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 196.

foll. 75; lines 13; size 71 × 41; 51 × 21.

كتاب الاوران KITAB-UL-AURAD.

A collection of prayers and innovations, attributed, in an endorsement on a fly-leaf at the beginning, to the celebrated saint and scholar Shaykh Abd-ul-Ḥaqq Dihlawi شيع عبد التحق دهلري (d. A.H. 1052 — A.D. 1642).

Beginning:-

A very neat copy. Written in clear Nasta'liq. The Arabic texts are written in large Naskh.

Dated 13th Ramadan, A.H. 1289.

.ارادت على برهاري -: Scribe

The original work is followed by an Arabic tract (foll. 576-75b) on the Muhammadan Law of Inheritance extracted from other works.

التحمد لله رب العالمين حمد الشاكرين .

Written in careless Naskh by Sayyid Şadr-ud-Din Ahmad of Bûhâr.

No. 197.

foll. 199; lines 16; size 10 × 61; 61 × 31.

منهاج الفلاح MINHÂJ-UL-FALÂH.

A selection of prayers and invocations suitable to all occasions and occurrences in life, with special references to those that are connected with ablution, purification and daily prayer, by 'Ali bin Shâh Maḥmūd ul-Bāfiqî على بن شاء محمود بافقى.

Beginning :-

العمد لله الذي ذُلُّ عبادة على الطاعات •

It is divided into a Muqaddimah, ten Båbs, and a Khåtimah.
A good copy. Written in clear Naskh within gold and colouredruled borders with rubrications. The Arabic texts are written
with vowels.

Dated 14th Shawwal, A.H. 1061.

.محمد مؤمن ابن حيدر محمد المشهدي --: Scribe

No. 198.

foll, 283; lines 16; size 71 × 41; 51 × 31.

زاد المعاد

ZAD-UL-MA'AD.

A work on prayers, religious rites and pious observances on ordinary and special days, based on the precepts and sayings of the Imāms, by the well-known Shl'ah doctor Muḥammad Bâqir bin Muḥammad Taqi Majlisi مصد باتر بي محمد تني مجد تني محمد الله (d. A.H. 1110 — A.D. 1698), who extracted it, A.H. 1105 — A.D. 1693, from his larger work بحار النوار

Beginning:

التصدد لله الذي جعل العبادة وسيلة لليل السعادة الع •

This work, divided into fourteen chapters and a Khatimah, has been lithographed in Teheran, A.H. 1244.

Written in fair Naskh.

The text of the prayers is given with all the vowels.

An autography copy, dated, Isfahân, Ramadân, A.H. 1107.

No. 199.

foll. 20; lines 9; size 9×51; 41×11.

A very beautiful but defective copy of a Shi'ah treatise on prayers and on the mysterious influence and effect of special dates in the several months, the separate days of the week and eclipses, based on the sayings of the Imâms, by the same Muḥammad Bâqir bin Muḥammad Taqī متعبد باقر بي محمد تقي who died in A.H. 1110 — A.D. 1698.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين اما بعد چنين گويد احفر عباد الله محمد باقر اين محمد تقي .

Folios are missing after foll. 1, 3, and 11.
Written in beautiful clear Nasta'liq on gold-sprinkled papers
within gold-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece.

The original folios have been mounted on new margins. Dated Thursday morning, 17th Rabi' L. A.H. 1133.

Scribe: - رنجانی الله محمد

No. 200.

foll, 311; lines 14; size 9×51; 51×3.

A defective copy of a detailed work dealing with certain prayers and innovations for special occasions and occurrences in life, with some rules and regulations to be observed in the performance of religious and other duties, from the Shi'ite standpoint.

The copy is defective at both ends and the folios at the begining are hopelessly confused. The name of the author, the title of the work and the number of chapters cannot therefore be ascertained.

It opens abruptly thus with the last six lines of Chapter XI: التحمد لله الذي واين حرزيست باب دوازدهم در نكتهاى نوادر اين after which Chapter XII begins thus: كتاب كه واتعست در هر باب This chapter breaks off on fol. 10b and is followed by the latter portion of Chapter I on fol. 11a. Chapter II

begins on fol. 26^b; III, on fol. 35^b; IV on fol. 42^b; V on fol. 50^a; VI on fol. 59^b; VIII on fol. 77^a; VIII on fol. 112^b; IX on fol. 142^a; X on fol. 164^b; XI on fol. 254^b. The MS, breaks off in the middle of the fourth section of the eleventh chapter with the following words:—

The author frequently quotes كتَابِ من لا يحضرِة الفقيم and كتَاب من لا يحضرِة الفقيم as his authorities.

Written in fair Naskh within gold and coloured-ruled borders with the headings in red, and occasional marginal notes. The original folios have been mounted on new margins.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 201.

foll. 115; lines 8-11; size 71 × 41; 51 × 3.

رسالة ادتيه

RISÂLAH-I-ADTYAH.

A collection of invocations and prayers for special occasions and occurrences in life.

Beginning:-

The Arabic portions are written in clear bold Naskh. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

The folios of the MS, are hopelessly rotten and separated from the original binding.

No. 202.

foll, 102; lines 7-13; size 71×5; 5×3.

Another collection of similar prayers and invocations. Beginning:—

اللهم ما صليت من صلوة فعلى النع .

Written in ordinary Naskh and careless Nasta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 203.

foll, 91; lines 9-11; size 72 × 42; 51 × 3.

رسالة ادعيه

RISALAH-I-AD'IYAH.

Another collection of prayers and invocations with selections from the Quran, Hadis, etc., suitable to all daily occasions, with explanations in Persian and Urdu.

Beginning:-

Written in ordinary Naskly and Indian Ta'liq with occasional rubrics.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

The latter part of the MS, is badly worm-eaten and damaged.

No. 204.

foll. 56; lines 9-13; size $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

A similar collection of prayers and invocations.

Beginning:-

Written in fair Naskh and careless Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century. The MS. is in a damaged condition.

No. 205.

foll. 89; lines 11-13; size 7 × 41; 51 × 31.

A treatise containing some prayers and invocations, and treating of the peculiarities and influence of certain passages and letters in the Quran, with a number of questions on religious subjects with answers.

Beginning:

Written in careless Naskh and Indian Ta'liq.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

Some folios at the beginning of the copy are worm-eaten and damaged.

No. 206.

foll. 37; lines 13; size 71 × 41; 42 × 3.

A treatise on the peculiarities and the wonderful effects of some of the well-known prayers such as حزب البحر وعلى حزب البحر etc., and the various ways of their usage.

Beginning:-

طريق (و) خاصيت حزب البحر اول أنست اگر نوشته در بازو خود

به بندد الم •

Written in careless Indian Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

A note on the fly-leaf by Sayyid Sadr-ud-Din Ahmad bin Sayyid Karim-ud-Din of Bûhâr, dated A.H. 1278, records the price of the copy as eight annas.

V. ARTS AND SCIENCES.

(1) Philosophy.

No. 207.

foll. 179; lines 17; size 10 x 61; 7 x 4.

توجية مجمل الحكمة

TARJUMAH-I-MUJMAL-UL-HIKMAT.

An old and valuable copy of a philosophical encyclopaedia, which, according to the preface, was translated into Parsi Dari from a work entitled Mujmal-ul-Hikmat.

Beginning:-

سياس و ستايش آن خدائي را كه ولجب الوجود است و هرچه جزويست ممكن الوجود است و هرچه ممكن الوجود است كردة اوست •

The work has been lithographed in Bombay, A.H. 1304, under the title of أرجعة رسائل اخوان الصفا و خلان المروت و الوقا.

Dr. Ethé (Bodl. Lib. Catalogue, No. 1492), who in agreement with Flügel (i. pp. 42 and 43) calls the work Mujmal-nl-Hikmat, gives us to understand that it is an abridgement of the famous Risālah-i-Ikhwān-uṣ-Ṣafā, usually styled simply Ikhwān-uṣ-Ṣafā, in Persian translation, made by a man of Khurāsān, and dedicated to Timūr. The particulars furnished by the present copy are as follows:—In the preface the author says that there was no book

in Persian dealing with the different branches of the science, viz. Mathematics, Logic, Metaphysics and Physics, except the Danish Namah (see No. 215), the style of which was difficult and the subject matter of which was for the greater part represented by signs and symbols. He then names another book, viz. Mujmal-ul-Hikmat which was a compendium of the different branches of science, but which, like the former, was not free from symbols, and contained also a good many redundances. The author then proceeds to say that in one or two places he saw that this book. i.e. the Mujmal, was translated into Persian, but that the symbols and the redundances were exactly maintained. He was then asked (the name of the person is not given) to translate it into Parsi Dari, and at the same time to remove the symbols and the redundances. Hence the present production. The dedication to Timur (who reigned A.H. 771-807 - A.D. 1379-1345), found in the Berlin copy No. 91 and the Bodl. copy, is not given in this copy. The following quotations from the beginning (fol. 26) will give the particulars of the work as well as an idea of the archaic forms of the language and the spelling :-

وجعد از ایشان درود خدای تعالی بر فیلسوقان و حکیمان خدا شفاس باد کی خداوند قیاس اند و حل کففدهٔ مشکلها اند و نمایفده راه راست اند و درود بر همکفان بان و بر جان امام و باکان اما بعد ازین بدانقد کی کفلها بسیار است و بیشتر بلغت تازی است و اندکی بلغت بارسی است و دران کفایها هیچ حظی فیست مافقد سرود اختران و کفاب فام بار خدا و مرزبان فامه و افی بدین مافد و ما هیچ کفاب فیافتیم از افی در حکمت بکار اید کی از ریاضی و مفطقی و طبیعی و الهی جمله در وی باشد مکر دانش فامه و آن بلفظی سخت مشکلست و بیشتر اشارات است و بعضی رمز فامه و آن بلفظی سخت مشکلست و بیشتر اشارات است و بعضی رمز است و کفاب مجمل التحکمة مجموست و لیکن همجنین مرموز است و دران حشو بسیار است و ما یک در جای دیدیم کی این کفاب را بدارسی و دران حشو بسیار است و ما یک در جای دیدیم کی این کفاب را بدارسی نقل فقل کرده بودند و همچفان مرموز کذاشته و حشو بیجای مافده بس جفین فقل کرده بودند و همچفان مرموز کذاشته و حشو بیجای مافده بس جفین فقل کوده بودند و همچفان مرموز کذاشته و حشو بیجای مافده بس جفین کفد هرجه حشوست از دور کفد و هرجه مرموز است اشکارا کفد و از حد گفد هرجه حشوست از دور کفد و هرجه مرموز است اشکارا کفد و از حد گفد هرجه حشوست از دور کفد و هرجه مرموز است اشکارا کفد و از حد گفد هرجه حشوست از دور کفد و هرجه مرموز است اشکارا کفد و از حد گفد عرب کفد ما فرمانی بیداری توفیق بار آورد ه

Haj. Khal. V., p. 406, while noticing the work Mujmal-ul-Hikmat, remarks that it is a Persian work on Mathematics, Logic, Metaphysics and Physics, written mostly in symbols, from which selections were made by a man (of Khurasan), who removed the symbols and the redundances and based the said selections on the treatises of the Ikhwan-uṣ-Ṣafa أصائل اخران الصفال By these treatises Haj. Khal, evidently meant the well-known philosophical encyclopaedia, entitled Ikhwan-uṣ-Ṣafa wa Khallan-ul-Wafa, which consists of fifty-one treatises.

A note on fol. 1° of the MS., written in a somewhat later hand, says—"(this book is) from the Baḥr-ul-Muhit of the Ikh-wan-i-Ṣafa, entitled Khallan-i-Wafa, of Imam Majriti-ul-Magribî," that is to say, al-Majriti's (d. A.H. 395 = A.D. 1004) Spanish re-

cension of the Ikhwan-us-Safa. The note runs thus:-

The synopsis of the treatises of this translation is as follows:—

1. The first treatise of Qism I, fol. 3a. Arithmetic.

مكارم لخلاق to از جمله to مكارم لخلاق to عكارم لخلاق are invariably repeated in all the subsequent chapters or treatises.

The second treatise of Qism I, on Mathematics, fol. 11^a.
 Introduction to Geometry.

The third treatise of Qism I on Mathematics, fol. 155.
 Introduction to Astronomy.

در معاتصري از موسيقي از جمله ... الغ .

The number of the treatise is not given.

The fifth treatise of Qism I, fol. 33°. Geography.
 الخ ما الله بنجم از قسم اول از ریافیات در جغرافیه ... الخ

6. The sixth treatise of Qism I, fol. 39°. Numerical relations. خلاصة رسالة ششم از قسم اول از رياضيات در نسبت عدد هذدي) ... الخ •

- The seventh treatise of Qism I, fol. 42°. Theoretical Sciences.
 - خلاصه رسالة هفتم از قسم اول از ريانيات در صفايع علمي ... الم
- The eighth treatise of Qism I, fol. 44^b. Practical sciences or Arts.
 - خلاصه رسالة هشتم از قسم اول از ريانيات در صفايع عملي ... اليه
 - 9. The ninth treatise of Qism I, fol. 46a. Creation of man.
 - خلاصة رسالة نهم از قسم اول از رياضيات در خلقت بني آدم ... الي .
 - 10. The tenth treatise of Qism I, fol. 49a. Logic.
 - خلاصة رساله دهم از قسم اول در ايساغوجي از مفطق ... النو .
 - 11. The eleventh treatise of Qism I, fol. 526. The Categories.
- خلاصة رسالة يازدهم از قسم اول از رياضيات در قاطيغوراس از مغطق ... اليه
 - 12. The twelfth treatise of Qism I, fol. 55a. Hermeneutica.
- خلاصه رسالة دوازدهم از قسم اول او رياضيات در ارمينياس او منطق ... اليه
- The thirteenth treatise of Qism I, fol. 57b. Analytica Priora.
 - خلاصة رساله سيزدهم از رياضيات انولوطيقيا اولى در مفطق ... الو .
- 14. The fourteenth treatise of Qism I, fol. 60°. Analytica Posteriora.
- خلاصة رسالة جهاردهم از قسم اول از رياضيات افولوطيقياً دوم از مفطق ... اليه
- The first treatise of Qism II, or Physica, treating of matter and form, fol. 62^b.
 - خلاصه رساله اول در طبیعیات از قسم دوم در هیوای و صورت ... النم .
- 16. The second treatise of Qism II., on heaven, the universe and the spheres, fol. 67°.
 - خلاصه رسالة دوم از طبيعيات او قسم دوم در سما و عالم او ... النو .
- The third treatise of Qism II, on existence and decay, of the elements, fol 71^b.
- خلاصه رسالة سوم از طبيعيات از قسم دوم در كون و فساد از جمله ... النم .
 - 18. The fourth treatise of Qism II. On Meteorology, fol. 736.
- خلاصة رساله جهارم از طبيعيات از قسم دؤم در آثار علوى از جمله ... النوه

- 19. The fifth treatise of Qism II. On Mineralogy, fol. 76s.
- خلاصة رسالة بنجم از قسم دوم از طبيعيات در تكوين معادن از جمله ... النو .
- The sixth treatise of Qism II. On nature and its activity,
 fol. 80^a.
- خلاصه رساله ششم از قسم دوم از طبیعیات در ماهیت طبیعت از جمله ... النم .
 - 21. The seventh treatise of Qism II. Botanic, fol. 836.
 - خلاصة رسالة هفتم از قسم دوم از طبيعيات در تكوين نبات او جمله النم ه
- 22. The eighth treatise of Qism II. On the composition of man's body, fol. 85a.
- خلاصه رساله هشتم از قسم دؤم از طبيعيات در تركيب جسد از جمله النم.
- The ninth treatise of Qism II. On sensual perception, fol. 90°.
- خلاصة رسالة فهم او قسم دوم او طبيعيات در حاس و محسوس او جعله النع .
- 24. The tenth treatise of Qism II. On the human embryo, fol. 94°.
 - خلاصه رسالة دهم از قسم دوم از طبيعيات در مسقط قطفه از جمله النو .
- 25. The eleventh treatise of Qism II. On Man as Microcosm, fol. 1029.
- خلاصه رسالة بازدهم از قسم دوم از طبيعيات در انک مردم عالم كوجك اند از جمله النو .
- The twelfth treatise of Qism II. Growth of the individual soul, fol. 103b.
- خلاصه رسالهٔ سیزدهم او قسم دوم او طبیعیات در احوال نفس جزوی بعد او مرک و شرح آن او جمله النم •
- 27. The thirteenth treatise of Qism II. Limits of human knowledge, fol. 1076.
- خلاصه رسالهٔ سیزدهم از قسم دوم از طبیعیات در بیان طاقت داشتن مردم دانش را و جمع کردن علمها از جمله ... الغ •
- 28. The fourteenth treatise of Qism II. On Death, fol. 1106. خلاصة رسالة جهاردهم از قسم دؤم اوطبيعيات در حكمت مرك از جملة النو .

- 29. The fifteenth treatise of Qism II. Pain and pleasure, fol. 1130.
- خلاصه رسالة بانزدهم از قسم دؤم از طبيعيات دربيان آلام و اذت از جمله النم .
- The sixteenth treatise of Qism II. Diversity of speech, fol. 116^b.
- خلاصه رساله شافردهم او قسم دوم اوطبيعيات در اختلاف لغات او جمله اليم .
- 31. The first treatise of Qism III. The theory of Pythagoras as to the origin of beings, fol. 118a.

خلاصه رساله اول از قسم سؤم از عقلیات در مبادی عقل بررای فیثاغورس حکیم از جمله النج .

32. The second treatise of Qism III. On the rational origins according to all philosophers, fol. 120^b.

خلاصه رسالة دوم از قسم سوم از عقلیات هم در ذکر مبادی عقل بر رای جمله حکما از جمله الم •

- 33. The third treatise of Qism III. On the Macrocosm, fol. 121b.
- خلاصة رسالة سؤم از عقليات در انك عالم حيوان بزرك است از جمله العوه
- 34. The fourth treatise of Qism III. On reason and its object, fol. 124°.
- خلاصة رسالة جهارم او قسم سؤم او عقليات در عقل و معقول او جمله النم .
- 35. The fifth treatise of Qism III. Orbits and revolutions of the stars, fol. 128b.
 - خالصه رسالة بنجم از قسم سؤم از عقليات در ادرار و اكوار از جمله الم .
 - 36. The sixth treatise of Qism III. On Love, fol. 136a.
 - خلاصه رسالة ششم از قسم سؤم از عقليات در درجه عشق از جمله الي •
- 37. The seventh treatise of Qism III. On Resurrection, fol. 1395,

خلامه رسالة هفتم از عقليات در قيامت و بعث و نشور و آخرت از جمله النع .

38. The eighth treatise of Qism III. On various kinds of motion, fol. 144°.

خلاصه رساله هشتم از قسم سؤم از عقلیات در حرکتها از جمله النع • 21

39. The ninth treatise of Qism III. Cause and effect, fol. 1450.

خلاصة رسالة فهم او قسم سؤم او عقليات در علت و معلول او جمله الني .

40. The tenth treatise of Qism III. Definitions, fol. 1496.

خلاصة رسالة دهم از قسم سؤم از عقليات در حدود و رسوم از جمله النم .

41. All the eleven treatises of Qism IV, or Metaphysics, on doctrines and religions, in the Arabic original, have been treated here in one treatise, divided into ten sections نصل to be found respectively on foll, 160°; 164°; 169°; 170°; 172°; 173°; 175°; 175°; 177°; 178°; 179°.

قسم جهارم که جملکي رسایل الهیات است در یک رساله درج کرد بده فصل از جمله النم .

The MS, breaks off in the middle portion of the last section with the following words:—

انجه ندانستم نكفتم و هرجه مدح و ذمّ و مفاظرة و خلاف بود

but the concluding portion has been supplied on the lower margin

by a later hand in a small Nasta'liq.

The divisions of the work are not enumerated anywhere by the translator, but from the contents described above it would appear that it is divided into four Qisms, the first of which comprises fourteen treatises; the second, sixteen treatises; the third, ten treatises; and the fourth, ten sections.

The first folio has been supplied in a later hand. The MS, is written in large Naskh on thick creamy papers. The text presents many antiquated forms, such as ¿ for النج and النج for النجة. The copy has been collated and emended throughout and the words بلغ or simply بلغ are frequently found on the margins of the copy. The headings are written in red throughout. The MS, is in good condition but some of the folios are loosened or detached from the original binding.

Not dated, apparently 15th century.

(2) Ethics and Politics.

No. 208.

foll. 201; lines 15; size 7×41; 42×21.

اخلاق نامري AKHLÂQ-I-NÂŞIRÎ.

The famous work on ethics or practical philosophy, by the great philosopher and astronomer Naşir-ud-Din Muhammad bin

Muḥammad bin Hasan-uṭ-Ṭūsī نصير الدين محمد بن محمد بن محمد الطوسي (born A.H. 597 = A.D. 1201 and died A.H. 672 = A.D. 1274), who based it on Ibn-i-Miskāwayh's (d. A.H. 421 = A.D. 1030) Arabic work مهارة النفس based it or تهذيب الاخلاق معارة النفس

There exist two prefaces to this work—an earlier one, with a dedication to Nāṣir-ud-Din of Quhistān; and a later one, found exclusively in the usual copies, where he withdraws his former praises of the "unbelievers" and requests the owners of the first edition to cancel the former preface. Only two copies of the work, containing the earlier preface, were hitherto known, viz. one of the copies in the Brit. Mus (see Rieu ii, p. 856b) and another in the Camb. Univ. Lib. (Add. 308). This copy, like them, contains both the prefaces. The earlier one begins on fol. 1b:—

حمد بیند و مدح بیعد البق حضرت عزت مالک الملکی بود که بعد از آنکه شخصی را که در نظر ظاهر هم از جنس انس است مصدر رحمت و مظهر معرفت خود کردانید الغ «

The later begins on fol. 3a.

حمد بیحد و مدح بیعد الهق حضرت مالک الملکی باشد که همچذانکه در بدو فطرت اولی النو •

Editions: — Bombay, A.H. 1267; Calcutta, A.H. 1269; Lucknow, A.H. 1286; Lahore, A.D. 1865.

The value of the present copy is further enhanced by learned

annotations on the margins throughout.

Written in learned minute Nasta'liq within gold colouredruled borders with an illuminated head-piece.

Dated Lahore, the 9th Rabi' II., A.H. 1098, the 30th year of 'Alamgir's reign.

No. 209.

foll, 47; lines 15; size 9×6; 51×31.

سراج النبر SIRĀJ-UL-MUNÎR.

An ethical work, treating of good moral character, modesty, meekness, justice, patience, liberality and other virtues, and of passions and vices, illustrated by the precepts of the prophet and by anecdotes, chiefly relating to prophets and saints, by an author, who calls himself in the epilogue, fol. 46b, محمد شریف. According to a statement on the same folio the

author completed the work at the end of the Rabi' L, on Friday.

A.H. 1030 - A.D. 1620.

Beginning:-

The work is written in a beautiful ornate prose, intermixed with verses, and is divided into twenty sections called A. a table of which is given in the preface, fol. 26.

A beautiful copy, written in a beautiful minute Nasta'liq within gold-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece and a double-page 'unwan with floral decorations in gold on the margins.

Dated, Rajab, A.H. 1118.

عباد الله محمد طاهر النبريزي -- Scribe

A note on fol. 1s by one Mirza Muhammad, entitled Aqa Mirza, followed by his seal (partly obliterated) says that the MS. belonged to him.

The MS, has been repaired in some places. Another note by one Mumtaz 'Ali, whose several seals appear in the copy, says that he made a gift of this MS, to his son Mirza 'Abd Ullah.

No. 210.

foll. 178; lines 17; size 9½ × 5½; 6½ × .

جُنگ تطب شاهي JUNG-I-QUTUB SHÂHÎ.

A work, partly of ethical, partly of theological and paraenetical content, based upon the practices and precepts of the prophet, the Imams and other holy men, by an anonymous author, who wrote it for 'Abd Ullah Qutub Shah of Golconda (A.H. 1020-1083 — A.D. 1611-1672).

Beginning:-

ابتدای کلام بنام خدارندی سزا ست که ابتدای هر چیز اورست .

The title of the work is not given in the text, but in an endorsement it is called جنگ تطب شاهي. We learn from the preface that prior to the present composition the author, at the desire of his royal master, compiled a work consisting of selections from the الحكاة. As this book received the appreciation of the king, the author made up his mind to write a supplement

to it, basing the same on reliable works, such as - كشف الغم المعاد على المعاد على المعاد ويع البرار اخلاق - اخوان الصفا - وبيع البرار etc. Hence the composition. He then presented it to his royal master through Mir Muhammad Sa'id Jumlat-ul-Mulk.

The work consists of a Muqaddimah, a few chapters, and a

Khatimah, as follows :-

مقدمه در تعریف علم و مذمت جهل ... fol. 20.

باب اول در دعا و ذکر و حمام و مسواک ... fol. 40.

باب دوم در دوستي و دشمني و صداقت و محبت ... fol. 160.

باب سيوم در معاشرت با مردم و سلوک با اهل مدينه (مرتبه ؟)

و منزل ... fol. 270.

باب چهارم در عفو و عقوبت و توبه و عذر پذیرفتن وغیرها . fol. 496

باب ششم في العدل و الانصاف و الظلم و الاعتذاف . 601 600 خاتمه در بيان معنى لفظي چند كه حضرت رسول رب العالمين صلى الله عليه و آله بطريق نصيحت عاميان امت را بآن هدايت نموده . 601. 1760

Written in fair Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece.

Dated A.H. 1061.

No. 211.

foll. 240; lines 22; size 11 × 51; 8 × 31.

ابواب الجنان ABWAB-UL-JINAN.

The first Bab or volume of the well-known collection of ethical and paraenetic orations, based on the Quran and the moral precepts of the Imams, by Mirza Muhammad Rafi' Wa'iz Qazwini who died about A.H. 1105 = A.D. 1694.

Beginning:

بهترين مقاليكة سرخيل كاروان فقون محاورات تواند بون الني .

According to the concluding lines the entire work was to comprise eight Bâbs, but only two seem to be extant. See Bodl. Lib. No. 1144, where the contents of the two Bâbs are described. Lithographed, Tehran, A.H. 1274, and Lucknow, A.D. 1868.

Written in neat Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece.

Dated 21st Rabi' I., A.H. 1247.

No. 212.

foll. 202; lines 15; size 111 × 62; 71 × 31.

گلش خرد

GULSHAN-I-KHIRAD.

A fragment of a large ethical work, dealing with all the various branches of moral and political philosophy; the different physiognomical and religious subjects; good moral advice; short anecdotes, illustrating the ethical aspect of prominent virtues and vices; etc.

چوں صفات هريک الواح دريافته شد مي بايد که قوت و ضعف هريک از بروج دريافته بروقت ضرورت - النم .

Then follows a chapter, called here رش جہارہ or the fourth

روش چهارم در ادراک ماهیت ملازمان حقیقت کوش و در دریافتی کیفیت مصاحبت مصاحبان ارادت هوش .

The following chapter, on fol. 29°, is called the second Rawish and runs thus:—

روش دويم در آئين خسرواني و قوانين جهانباني .

Fol. 98b. The third chapter :-

روش ميم در دفع دشمذان صعب رو و معاقدان زشت خو .

Then follows the fifth chapter, fol, 136b:-

روش پنجم در تقرر و تعین قالبان دیافت و امافت مآب .

The sixth chapter begins on fol. 1710:-

روش ششم در صیافت ففس اماره و اجتفاب از دنیایی غداره .

The MS, breaks off thus :-

دلا در فاکر حق خود را بآرا - سوای حق مجوی

Written in ordinary bold Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders.

The chapters are written in red within modern and tasteless

floral designs.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 213.

foll. 220; lines 15; size 94×6; 6×34.

نخبرة الملوك DAKHÎRAT-UL-MULÛK.

A very neat copy of the famous work on political ethics, and the rules of good government, by Amir Sayyid 'Ali bin Shihāb ud-Dîn bin Mîr Sayyid Muḥammad ul-Ḥusaynī, of Hamadān مرامير سيد علي بن شباب الدين بن مير سيد محمد التحسيني الهماني especially known as the apostle of Kashmir, which he entered A.H. 781 — A.D. 1379, with a train of seven hundred followers, and where he spent the last years of his life and died shortly after setting out on his return to Persia, on the 6th of Dulhijjah, A.H. 786 — A.D. 1384.

Beginning:-

حمد بسیار و ثنای بی شعار حضرت ملکی را که اسباب معاش سکان خطهٔ ملک دینوی را النم .

Written in beautiful neat Nasta'liq within gold and colouredruled borders with an illuminated, now faded, head-piece.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

A note at the end says that the MS, was collated in A.H. 1100. A good copy. Casual emendations on the margins.

No. 214.

foll. 203; lines 17; size $8\frac{1}{8} \times 5\frac{\pi}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{8} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

THE SAME.

Another copy of the preceding work, written in legible Indian Ta'liq. The Arabic passages, written in larger Naskh, are overlined in red. The colophon says that the transcription was completed on the 19th of Jumādā I., in the fifth regnal year of Muḥammad Shâh 'Alamgir II, viz. A.H. 1135, at Murshidābād, in the time of Nawwāb Ja'far Khân Nasīrī.

The copy once belonged to one Shaykh Muhibb Ullah, son of

Shaykh 'Abd-ul-Latif bin Shaykh Habib Qurayshi.

(3) Compendia of Science and Encyclopaedias.

No. 215.

foll. 129; lines 15; size $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $4\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

دانش نامهٔ علائي DĀNISH NĀMAH-I-'ALĀ'Ī.

A compendious manual of the different branches of the philoaophy of the ancients, by the celebrated Abû 'Ali ibn Sînâ ابر علي (d. A.H. 428 — A.D. 1036), who wrote it in Pârsi Dari at the desire of the prince, who is designated in the preface as

عضد الدين علاء الدولة و فتشر الملة و تاج الأنمة ابو جعفر محمد بن و سعريار (دشمقزيار)

The prince of the Kâkawayhid dynasty of Kurdistân was really called 'Alâ-ud-Daulah Abû Ja'far Muḥammad bin Duṣḥmanziyār, and surnamed Ibn-i-Kâkawayh, or "uncle's son," because his father was the maternal uncle of a Buwayhide princess, who in the name of her son exercised sovereign power. 'Alâ-ud-Daulah obtained from her, A.H. 398 — A.D. 1007, possession of Iṣfahân and died A.H. 433 — A.D. 1041.

The work was edited after the author's death by his disciple 'Abd-ul-Wahid ibn Muhammad Jūzjāni who designates it by the title of Dānish Nāmah-i-'Alā'i. It is however commonly known, as endorsed on fol. 10 under the name of حكمت علائي - دانش نامه Other titles by which the work is known are كتاب العلائي - دانش نامه

Beginning:-

سپلس و ستایش مر خداوند آفریدگار بخشایندهٔ خرد را و درود بر پیغامبر گزیدهٔ وی محمد مصطفی و بر اهل بیت و یاران وی .

According to Rieu, ii. p. 433, 'Abd-ul-Wahid added to the work a condensed translation in Parsi Dari of the following treatises of Ibn-i-Sîna:—an abridgment of Euclid, a treatise on astro-

nomical observations, another on music, and the arithmetical section of the "Shafa."

In the preface (foll, 1h-2a), five sections are enumerated :-

يكى علم مقطق دويم علم طبيعيات سيوم علم البيات ...

چہارم علم موسیقی پنجم علم انچه بیروں از طبیعت است but the copy itself comprises the following two and a half sections:—

1. عام منطقیات (Logie), fol. 2a.

علم البيات (Metaphysics), fol. 34b.

3. علم طبیعیات (Physics), fol. 95%.

The last section breaks off in the middle with the following words:-

يا از هرچه آرزويش انند بيند

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with a gilded head-piece. The headings are written in red and blue.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 216.

foll. 296; lines 13; size 9×5; 52×3.

حدائق الانوار

HADA'IQ-UL-ANWAR.

A rare, but quite modern, copy of an encyclopaedia of sciences, with its full title مدائق النواز في حقائق السرار, by the famous Imam Fakhr-ud-Din Muhammad bin Umar ur-Razi امام فنظر الدين محمد (d. A.H. 606 = A.D. 1209), who wrote it for Sultan Alâ-ud-Din Takash (A.H. 596-617 = A.D. 1198-1220), the last but one of the Khwarazm Shahi dynasty.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذَّي انشا ما بتصريفه و اكثر بتشريفه و شرفنا بتكليفه .

The work treats of the following sixty arts or sciences: -

علم الخلافيات .4 علم الجدل .3 علم اصول الفقة .2 علم الكلام .1 علم الخلافيات .4 علم المذهب .5 علم تفسير .8 علم الوصايا .7 علم فرايض .6 علم المذهب .10 علم السامى .12 علم الاحاديث .11 علم علل القرادت .10 دلايل الاعجاز علم الما علم القواريع .13 الوجال علم القواريع .13 الوجال علم .14 علم القواريع .13 الوجال علم .20

علم .20 علم العروض .10 علم الامثال .18 علم الاشتقاق .17 التصريف 24. علم المنطق .23 علم المعاني .22 علم بدائع الشعر .12 القوافي علم .28 علم الطبعيات .28 علم الطبعيات .28 علم الطبعيات .28 علم الاكسير .31 علم الغواص .30 علم التعبير .29 التشريح علم قلع الاثار .35 علم الاكسير .31 علم المخواص .30 علم السعات .33 معرفة الجواهر علم قلع الاثار .35 علم البندسة .38 علم البواة .37 علم البيطرة .36 علم البيطرة .34 علم الاثقال علم .43 علم الأثقال علم التوافي .44 علم الاثقال علم النقاطرة .45 علم الدقول علم الدقول .45 علم الاثماطيقي .44 الجبرو المقابلة علم الرمل .50 علم الاحكام .49 علم الدخلق .54 علم الاحكام .49 علم الاثماطيقي .45 علم الاخلاق .55 علم الخوائم علم الدخل .56 علم الأخرة .55 علم الخوائم .56 علم الدعوات .55 علم الأخرة .57 علم تدبير المغزل .56 علم السياسات .55 علم الدعوات .58 علم الكلام الاعول الظاهرة .60 علم آداب الملوك .55

A very full table of contents, with numbers indicating the pages, occupies 23 pages in the beginning of the copy.

Written in legible Indian Ta'liq.

Dated, Friday, 12th Pous, 1296 Bengali year.

A note at the end (fol. 293b) says that the MS, was compared

by Maulavis Hasib-ud-Din and Khadim Husayn.

A biographical sketch of the author, extracted from other works by the donor Maulavi Sayyid Şadr-ud-Din Ahmad, occupies foll. 294a-296b.

No. 217.

foll. 328; lines 25; size 15×10½; 12×6.

دُرَة التاج

DURRAT-UT-TAJ.

The well-known vast encyclopaedia of philosophical sciences, by Qutb-ud-Din Maḥmūd bin Mas'ūd-ush-Shīrāzī قطب الدين محمود الشيرازي, who was born in Shīrāz, A.H. 634 — A.D. 1236 and died in Tabriz, A.H. 710 — A.D. 1310.

Beginning:-

اكرچه بر ضمير ارباب كياست و خاطر اصحاب فراست بوشيدة فماند .

The full title of the work is درّة النّاج لغرّة الدبّاء. It is divided into an Introduction (مقدمه), six Books (جمله), and an Appendix

(خاتمه) which are enumerated with all their sub-divisions, foll. 9s-43b. The present copy is defective towards the end. Its contents are as follows:—

Muqaddimah, on the advantages of knowledge, the real purport of sciences, and their divisions, in three Faşls, each subdivided into three Jal, fol. 90.

Jumlah I, on Logic, in seven Maqalahs, fol. 43b.

Jumlah II, on first philosophy, i.e. (قلسفة أولى), in two branches (فلسفة), each of which is sub-divided into seven Maqalahs, fol. 1016.

Jumlah III, on the lowest science, that is natural science (در علم اسفل که علم طبیعي است), in two قی each again sub-divided into seven Maqalahs, fol. 1390.

Jumlah IV, on the middle science, that is Mathematics (در علم اوسط که علم ریاضی است), in four نی dealing with Euclid, Almagest, Arithmetic, and Music respectively, fol. 1826.

المالي المالي Jumlah V, on the highest science, that is Metaphysics (على علم الهي است , each sub-divided into seven Maqalahs, fol. 233°.

In the remaining folios the headings are omitted throughout, but from a comparison with the following copy it is found that this copy breaks off in the middle of the First Qutb of the Khātimah immediately after the account of the i.e.. The last words found here are:—

corresponding with the last line on fol. 1325 of the following copy.

Written in clear bold Nasta liq. Spaces for heading have
been left blank towards the end of the copy.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 218.

foll. 336; lines 19; size $12 \times 7\frac{1}{4}$; $9\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{3}{4}$.

THE SAME.

Another copy of the preceding work, comprising the Fifth Jumlah and the Khātimah.

Beginning abruptly :-

..... و این جمله دو فن است - فن اول در عقول و اثار ان در (عالم جسمانی و روحانی

The Khatimah begins on fol. 41s.

Written in careless Indian Ta'liq with the headings in red.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 219.

foll. 233; lines 25; size $14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$; $11\frac{1}{4} \times 6$.

نفائس الفنون NAFÂ'IS-UL-FUNÛN.

The well-known encyclopaedia of science, with its full title معدد بن معبود الغاني ألي عرائس العيري , composed by Muḥammad bin Maḥmūd-ul-ʿAmuli بقائس الغاني, who left, besides the present work, commentaries upon the Kulliyât of the Qânûn of Sharaf-ud-Din Îlâqî, and upon the Kulliyât of the Qânûn of Sharaf-ud-Din Îlâqî, and upon the Mukhtaṣar-fil-Uṣûl of Ibn-i-Ḥājib. According to various dates given in the beginning it would appear that the work was commenced in A.H. 735 = A.D. 1335 and not finished until A.H. 742 = A.D. 1342.

Beginning:-

حمد و ثغا و شمر بى انتها حضرت پادشاهى را كه انكار ازكيا و انتظار

عقلا النو .

The work is divided into two parts (Qism), treating respectively of the modern or Islamitic sciences (على الراخل) and of the ancient (على الراخل). The First Qism treats of eighty-five arts or sciences, in thirty-six Fanns or sections, classed under four categories (Maqâlah), which treat respectively of:—

- (1) The literary sciences (علوم ادبى).
- (2) The legal sciences (علوم شرعي).
- (3) The Sufic sciences (توابع).
- (4) The conversational sciences (علوم محاوري).

The Second Qism comprises the following five Maqalahs:-

- (1) Practical philosopy (مُكمت عملي).
- (2) Speculative philosophy (اصول حكمت نظري).
- (3) Mathematics (ياضي).

(4) Branches of physics (فروع طبعي).

(5) Branches of Mathematics (فروع رياضي).

The whole work is extant here in two volumes, bound separately. This MS., comprising the first volume, ends with the 10th Faşl (در معالجة نفس) of the first Fann, of the First Maqâlah, Qism II.

No. 220.

foll, 234 (234 to 468); lines and size same as above.

The continuation of the preceding copy, beginning with the first Faşl (در سبب احتياج بمنزل ومعرفت اركان) of the Second Fann of the First Maqalah, Qism II, and ends with the last Faşl, i.e. the Fifth (در استخراج ضمایر) of the 13th Fann of the Fifth Maqalah Qism II.

The original work is followed by the following treatises:-

الله الله Risālah-i-Taqwim, fol. 4240. A compendious manual on the computation of the almanack, by an anonymous author, divided into twelve sections and a Khātimah.

Beginning:-

حمد بيند معبودس را عظمت كبرياية رسد الني .

II. مجموعة الصنائع Majmû'at-uṣ-Ṣanâ'i', fol. 440b. "The Collection of Arts." A very interesting and useful polytechnical work, dealing with all the various branches of artificial, especially alchemical, work and handieraft, for instance, the art of making artificial pearls, rubies, sapphires, and other precious stones, of preparing various inks and colours for writing and painting purposes, dying ivory, engraving stones, preparing poisons and antidotes, dissolving and oxidizing metals, making artificial flowers, illuminating books, etc., by an anonymous author.

Beginning :-- حمد و سپلس بديع السلس حضرت صانعي را النو .

In the colophon of the India Office Lib.copy, No. 2781, the name of the author is given as Mir Yaḥyā, مير يحيى, while in a larger and amplified edition (No. 2783) in the same collection, he is called حكيم فيلسوف مغربي. The work must have been composed in, or before, A.H. 1033 (A.D. 1624), which is the date of the copy No. 1870, Bodleian Library.

The work is divided into forty chapters sub-divided into one hundred and sixty sections. The number of divisions varies more or less in other copies. See the catalogues cited above and Rieu

II, p. 489.

A Turkish translation of the work was made at the request of Abdal-Khan, the Khan of Bidlis, who was beheaded at Constantinople, 1668 A.D.

HI. مانك مقداريد Risâlah-i-Miqdâriyah, fol. 457a. A tract on the weight of coins and on legal measures, by Muhammad Mu'min bin 'Ali ul-Husaynî. It is divided into a Muqaddimah, a Faşl, and a Khâtimah.

Beginning: -

IV. رساله در عقد افاصل Risâlah dar 'Iqd-i-Anâmil, fol. 461. A treatise on palmistry with special reference to the joints of the fingers, withoutauthor's name.

Beginning:-

V. صعار علم كف دست Risālah dar 'Ilm-i-Kaf-i-Dast, 4620. Another treatise on palmistry, without author's name.

Beginning:-

اما بعد این رساله ایست مختصر در علم کف دست مفتول اؤ علماي مغرب اليم •

VI. رساله در علم موسيقي Risâlah dar 'Ilm-i-Mûsiqi, fol. 465. A treatise on music, without preface or author's name.

Beginning:-

رُ لَنْ لَهُ لَهُ تَله ه

VII. رسالغ عيديه Risâlah-i-Ṣaydiyah, fol. 466. A treatise on the legal precepts concerning hunting and the slaying of animals, without author's name.

Beginning:-

VIII. رساله منظوم در معما Risālah-i-Mangûm dar Mu'ammā, fol. 463. A versified treatise on riddles and enigmas, without author's name.

Beginning:-

بقام أنكه ذات جمله اشيا .

Both the volumes containing the entire work Nafa'is-ul-Funun and the treatises at the end of the second volume are written in legible bold Nasta'liq by one scribe. A full table of contents of all the works with numbers indicating the folios is prefixed to the first volume.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 221.

foll, 380; lines 19; size 11×6 ; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

THE SAME.

Extracts from the Nafa'is, consisting of detached portions put together in a perplexing manner, without any system or order.

Beginning as usual. There are only three Maqalahs in this copy. The first Maqalah of the first Qism begins on fol. 8°. The second Maqalah of the first Qism, fol. 85°, and the fourth Maqalah of the second Qism on fol. 235°. The subject-headings under each of these Maqalahs are without any system or order and most of those belonging to one Maqalah are treated under another. The concluding section treating of the rites of the pilgrimage (concluding section treating of the real work and belongs to a later author, namely the famous Jami, who died in A.H. 898 — A.D. 1492.

Written in a beautiful minute Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders.

Dated A.H. 1043,

.محمد حسين ... بن الكاتب خاتو يا بادي ...

A seal of a certain noble of Ahmad Shah's time, dated A.H. 1161, is fixed on fol. 1a.

A very neat and correct copy.

No. 222.

foll, 376; lines 15; size 8½ × 5½; 5½ × 3.

عقول عشرة 'UQÛL-I-'ASHRAH.

A Persian encyclopaedia, by Muḥammad Barārī Ummī ibn Muḥammad Jamshid ibn Jabbārī Khān ibn Majnūn Khān Qāqshāl, المحمد برازي أمي أبن محمد جبشيد أبن جباري خان ابن مجنون خان who compiled it in A.H. 1084 — A.D. 1673.

Beginning:-

حمدى كه اليق درگاه كبريا باشد قدرت انسان نيست كه تواند بچا آرد .

The work is divided into ten عند (intelligence), sub-divided into into عند (insights), غراست (penetrations), and كياست (perceptions).

A complete index is given foll. 2a.5a.

Written in neat Indian Ta'liq with the headings in red. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

(4) Arithmetic.

No. 223.

foll, 152; lines 17; size $12\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{4}$; $9 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

توجهة خلامة الحساب

TARJUMAH-I-KHULÂŞAT-UL-HISÂB.

A Persian paraphrase of, and commentary on, Bahā-ud-Din 'Āmili's (d. A.H. 1030 — A.D. 1621) famous Arabic work on Arithmetic, styled مَاهِمَةُ الْمُعَالِ

Beginning:

نحمدک یا من لا بحیط بجمع نعمه عدد - بیاس میکنم ترا لی آنکه احاطه نمیکند بقراهم آوردن نعمتهای او هیچ عدد النج .

The work begins at once with the Arabic text followed by a Persian paraphrase, without any preface by the translator, whose name however incidentally appears thus at the end, fol. 143^b.

المولوي المعذوى مولوي روشنعلي جون فوري .

He seems to be identical with Raushan 'Ali Anşârî Jaunpûrî, who is the author of several treatises on Arithmetic and Grammar, and of an imitation of Harîrî's Maqâmât, and died as professor of Fort William College, Calcutta, about A.D. 1810. See Rieu, p. 8575.

The work is divided into a Muqaddimah and ten Babs.

The above is followed by a short versified treatise on Algebra by Muhammad Najmuddin Khan, fol. 144°. Each problem, which is in verse, is followed by illustrations and dedications in prose.

The treatise begins with the following short preamble which gives the particulars of the work:

رساله در جبر و مقابله تصنيف جناب زيدة العلماء المسجرين [متبحرين ؟] قدوة الفضلاء الراسطين قاضي القضاة محمد نجم الذين خان ادام الله افادتهم الی یوم الدین که برای سهولت حفظ طالبان این فن مسائل سته جبریه در سلک نظم کشیده امثله و براهین آن مسائل بکمال ایضاح بعبارت نثر قلمی فرموده اند .

The initial verse begins thus:-

ای آنکه ترا ست ذهن ثاقب با رای مصیب در عواقب

Both the works are written by one scribe in ordinary legible Indian Ta'liq. The first work is dated A.H. 1227, corresponding with A.D. 1812.

(5) Astronomy and Astrology.

foll, 28; lines 13; size 81×6 ; 6×31 .

مختصو در معونت تقويم

MUKHTASAR DAR MA'RIFAT-I-TAQWIM.

The well-known compendious manual on the computation of almanacks, known as نصل, on account of the thirty fasls into which it is divided, by Naşir-ud-Dîn Tûsî نصير الدين طرحي (d. A.H. 672—A.D. 1273), who completed it in A.H. 658 (A.D. 1260).

Beginning without the praise of God :-

اين مختصريست در معرات تقويم مشتمل برسي فصل الم .

Written in fair Nasta'liq.

Dated Kabul, Monday, the 27th Rabi' I, A.H. 1082.

.بينى رام-: Scribe

The above manual is followed by a short tract on the "Mansions of the Moon" منازل قم which are twenty-eight in number.

Beginning on fol. 26a:-

در بيان مقاول قمر اول ربيعي كه صورت التي .

The MS, is worm-eaten throughout and mended in many places.

No. 225.

foll. 46; lines 9; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; 6×3 .

بيت باب BÎST BÂB.

The famous manual on the construction and use of the astrolabe, which, from its division into twenty chapters (Bab), is known under the name of Bist Bâb بيست باب, by the same Naşîr-ud-Dîn Tûsî (d. A.H. 672 — A.D. 1273).

Beginning:-

العدد لله حدد الشاكرين و صلواته على محدد اما بعد اين مختصريست دو معرفت اسطراب النو »

Written in fair Indian Ta'liq.
The MS. is mended throughout.
Not dated, apparently 19th century.

A note on fol. 1a says this MS, was deposited in the Library of Mirza Radi-ud-Din 'Ali Bahadur, son of Mirza Muhammad Khurram Bakht, deceased on the 21st Shawwal, A.H. 1236.

No. 226.

foll 144; lines 19; size 8 × 42; 51 × 22.

شرح بیت باب SHARH-I-BÎST BÂB.

A commentary on the same work.

The commentator Nizâm-ud-Din 'Abd-ul-'Ali-ul-Barjandi الدين عبد العلي البرجندي, who is the author of several other works and who was still living in the beginning of the reign of Shâh Tahmâsp Ṣafawî of Persia (A.H. 930-984 = A.D. 1524-1576), completed this commentary, as expressed by the name of the month جبد الأخر (fol. 1446), in A.H. 889 = A.D. 1484.

The contents of this copy seem to agree fully with those of the one mentioned in Rieu ii, p. 453, e.g. the definitions of technical terms (found here on fol. 16), the tables of the positions of stars calculated by the translator himself for the year 853 of Yazdajird corresponding with A.H. 889-890 (found here on fol. 1436), and the date of completion of the commentary expressed by the name of the month جنيد القرارة. But the opening lines of this copy do not agree with those of Rieu loc. cit—It begins thus:—

التحمد الله رب العالمين و الصلوة على وسوله معدد و آله اجمعين -اين معتصريست در معرفت اسطولاب از تصانيف استاذ الدنيا علامة العالم تصير الدين الطوسي فور الله مضجعه مشتمل بربيست باب ه

The above is immediately followed by the commentary with the text.

Written in ordinary and careless Nasta'liq with copious anno-

tations and emendations on the margins. The MS, is worm-eaten and damaged but mended and repaired in many places.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 227.

foll. 178; lines 28; size 11×6]; 81×5.

زيج جديد سلطاني ZÎJ-I-JADÎD-I-SULTÂNÎ.

A defective copy of the usual edition of Ulug Beg's astronomical and chronological tables, that is, the second and revised one, compiled by Sultan Ulug Beg ملاح الدين موسيا (d. A.H. 853 — A.D. 1449) with the assistance of Ṣalāḥ-ud-Dîn Mūsā مالات الدين موسيا , and Maulānā Giyāṣ-ud-Dîn Jamshīd مولانا غيات الدين جعشيد (the compiler of the original edition) and after the death of both of them, by co-operation with the celebrated 'Alī bin Muḥammad Qūshji على محمد قوشجي (d. A.H. 879 — A.D. 1474).

The work is divided into four Books called Maqâlah. A great portion of the first Book on the different eras, which consists of a Muqaddimah and seven Bābs, is wanting, and the copy opens abruptly in the middle of third Bāb with the following words:—

The small scattered tables relating to the first Book are found on foll. 3a-10b.

Book II. در معرفت اوقات و طالع هروقت و آنچه تعلق بدان دارد , on fol. 11°, sub-divided into twenty-two Babs; tables on foll. 18°-93°.

در معوفت روش ستارگان و مواضع ایشان در طول و عرض و توابع آن .on fol. 94°; sub-divided into thirteen Babs, tables on foll. 1006-1696.

IV. در باتي اعمال نجومي, on fol. 170°; sub-divided into two Båbs; tables on foll. 172°-178°. The MS, breaks off with the sixth table of the second Båb.

For further particulars and other copies of the work see other

catalogues.

Written in good small Nasta'liq.

Foll. 11, 14 and 15 are supplied in a later hand.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 228.

foll. 225; lines 12; size 9×51; 6×4.

طالع مولود همايون TÄLI'-I-MAULÜD-I-HUMÄYÜN.

A beautiful copy of an interesting work, containing the horoscope of Mirza Baisangar, son of Mirza Shah Rukh, with astronomical tables, by an author who designates himself in the epilogue, fol. 225°.

حلجي ابن حسن الصّافع المزنياني مولداً و السبزراري داراً • --: Beginning

تبارک الدی خلق الانسان و علمه البیان جلّت عظمته و هو ربّ العرش العظیم - سپاس بیقیاس مو پروردگار عالمیان را عزّ و جلّ النم .

According to the author's statement in the preface Mirzā Bāisangar was born on the night before the 21st of Dulhijjah, A.H. 799 (A.D. 1396), in Herat. According to Habib-us-Siyar, Vol. III, Juz 2, p. 131, the prince died on the morning of Saturday, 7th Jumāda I, A.H. 837 (A.D. 1433), at the age of 37.

On fol. 4" the author tells us that he commenced the work in the middle of Jumādā I A.H. 828 (A.D. 1424) and completed it within the first ten days of Dulhijjah of the same year and then dedicated it to the afore-said prince. The preface is followed by a statement of the scribe مُقَلُّلُ اللهُ بِي مُرِقْمِي المرسوى, who calls himself an "inferior slave" of the prince, that he completed the transcription in the beginning of Dulhijjah, A.H. 828, that is to say, at the same time that the composition of the work was completed. The above fact as well as the hand-writing and the gorgeous preparation of the copy, fully convince us that this copy was written for the prince.

A graceful Nasta'liq hand, slightly inclined towards Naskh, written on gold lines throughout, within gold and coloured-ruled borders with a beautifully illuminated head-piece. The headings and the contents of the tables are written in gold and various other colours. The top-headings of the tables are in most graceful

bold Naskh written in gold and colours.

One or two folios seem to be missing from the end and the MS, breaks off abruptly with the words:—

خونی هرچه تمامتر بریی بنده غالب بود که خود را هدف مهام قارک افدادان

(6) Medicine.

No. 229.

foll. 375; lines 20; size 71×41; 41×21.

اختيارات بديعي

IKHTIYARAT-I-BADÎ'Î.

A very good and correct copy of the original edition of the Materia Medica, by 'Ali bin ul-Ḥusayn ul-Anṣāri, known as Ḥāji Zayn-ul-'Aṭṭār علي بن الحسين الانصاري العشهور به حاجي زبن العطار, who was born A.H. 730 — A.D. 1330, and died A.H. 806 — A.D. 1403. It was completed A.H. 770 — A.D. 1368.

Beginning:-

The work is divided into two Maqalahs. The first, on simple drugs, in alphabetical order, begins on fol. 2^b. The second, on compound medicaments, comprises sixteen chapters and begins thus on fol. 318^b:—

In the above lines the latter part is called the second Risâlah of the Miftâh-ul-Khazâ'in, while as a matter of fact it is the second Maqâlah of the Ikhtiyârât-i-Badî'i. For similar confusion and further details see Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. Cat. Nos. 2289-2295.

A complete index of the first Maqalah, giving the Arabic, Greek and Hindi equivalents for all the Persian technical terms of simple drugs, arranged in alphabetical order, occupies forty-two folios in the beginning and begins thus:—

Written in beautiful minute Naskh within gold and coloured ruled borders with illuminated head-pieces.

This valuable copy, dated the beginning of Dulhijjah, A.H. 990, was written by عنايت الله الجهرمي عنايت الله for the library of Muhammad Khan, son of Dilawar Khan 'Adil Shahi. Fol 1º is covered with the seals and signatures of the nobles and officers of the courts of Shah Jahan, 'Alamgir and others. These names read as follows:—

مصي الدين عليشان - شمس الدولة متهور جنَّك بهادرٍ - محمد فاضل -قابلتفان خاته زاد عالمَّلير بادشاة - محمد جافظ - محافظ خان *

The name of Ibrâhim 'Âdil Shâh ابراهيم عادات most probably the sixth king of the 'Âdil Shâhî dynasty of Bijāpūr, who reigned from A.H. 987-1035—A.D. 1579-1626, also appears on the same leaf.

No. 230.

foll, 159; lines 19; size 91 x 5; 8 x 41.

A fragment of the first Maqalah of the preceding work. The whole of the introduction is wanting and the copy opens abruptly with the words:—

..... عفافش باد را نابوده راه .

corresponding with fol. 26, line 3 of the preceding copy. It breaks off in the middle of the explanation of the word سداب under سرو under سرو corresponding with fol. 1530, line 12 of the preceding copy. The last words are منابع بياميزند و در چشم كشند ضعف چشم نيكو بود

Written in careless Ta'liq within coloured-ruled borders Frequent clerical mistakes.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 231.

foll, 281; lines 21; size 9×6; 67×4.

ترجية منهاج البيان TARJUMAH-I-MINHÂJ-UL-BAYÂN.

Foll. 1-173. A Persian translation of the well-known Materia Medica, entitled منهاج البيان فيما يستعمله النسان by Yaḥyā bin 'Îsâ bin Jazlah, a Christian Physician of Bagdad, who embraced Islamism in A.H. 466 (A.D. 1074) and died, A.H. 493 (A.D. 1100).

Beginning:-

شفر و باس مرخدایرا که بیافرید عالم را و و بزرگ گردانید آدم را بر همه آفریدها .

The name of the translator does not appear anywhere, and the name of the person for whom the translation was made is thus introduced by several honorific titles:— شهنشاه معظم اتابک اعظم ملک معرم شهریار مظفر رکن الدنیا والدین قطب السلام و المسلمین اعدل الولاق و السلاطین سکندر زمان جمشید دوران تاج بعثش افق امن و امان ملک ملوک العالم شاه آل سلاطین سلجوق آلغ اعظم اتابک ابو الفتح فصیر الدوله ملک السعید الاتابک الشهید قطب الدنیا و الدین ملک ملوک العجم الغ عادل اتابک محمود بن الملک السعید قطب الدین ملک ملوک العجم الغ عادل اتابک محمود بن الملک السعید قطب الدین ملک الاموا این منصور سفیسالار بن الملک السعید الشهید عز الدین ابی مقاتل بیک خلد الله ملکه ه

The names of the drugs are arranged in alphabetical order.

Foll. 175-281, ترجعه تتوبم الإبدان . Tarjumah-i-Taqwîm-ul-Ab-dan. A Persian translation of the same Ibn-i-Jazlah's medical work on the regimen of the body, entitled تتوبع الإبدان في تدبير الانسان.

Beginning:—

چون اشارت عالي مخدوم اعظم معدن الجود و اللطف و الكرم التي .

The names of the translator and the person for whom the translation was made, will appear from the following passage, which is a continuation of the lines quoted above:—

ابن الامير الكبير المغفور المرحوم نظام الحق و الدنياد و الدين امير جمشيد بن قارن طاب ثراهما ... برانجمله ناند گشت كه يعني كمترين بندگان علي بن بدر برهان كتاب تقويم الابدان را از تازي بفارسي نقل كند النم ...

Written in small Nasta'liq.

The colophon of the first work is dated Shahjahanabad, A.H.

1109.

. نور الدين محمد -: Seribe

The few notes found on the margins of the second work are cut by the binder.

No. 232.

foll. 35; lines 13; size 81 × 51; 41 × 21.

ترجة سهرابي

TARJUMAH-I-SUHRABI.

A medical tract on diseases, giving a description of them, and of the means and methods of curing them. Beginning :-

العمد لله رب العالمين ... اما بعد اين مختصريست مشتملير زيداً انجه واجبست حاضر داشتن النو .

According to the preface it is a Persian translation of Muhammad bin Mahmud ul-Chagmini's (d.c. A.H. 618 — A.D. 1221) selections from earlier medical works. The translator 'Ali Akbar ibn Muhammad Labib على اكبر ابن محمد لبيب says that he translated it from Arabic at the request of Nawwab 'Ali Quli Khan Bahadur Suhrabjang, son of Mirza 'Ali Khan Bahadur Dilawarjang. It is divided into ten chapters متقاله, each of which is sub-divided into several sections.

Written in beautiful Nim Shikast on gold sprinkled papers within gold and coloured-ruled borders, with an illuminated headpiece. The original folios have been mounted on new margins.

Marginal notes are found in the latter portion of the copy. Some seals of the later kings of Oudh are found at the begin ning and the end of the copy.

Not dated, 18th century.

A beautiful copy.

(7) Farriery.

No. 233.

foll. 134; lines 13; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

FARAS NĀMAH.

A slightly defective copy of a treatise on farriery, translated by several Pandits from an old Sanskrit work Sâlihotra or Sâlûtra wrongly spelt here, fol. 26, as عبنس كرت and on fol 55 as عبنس كرت (name of the legendary inventor of the veterinary art and at the same time the name of the art itself and of works on the subject), at the desire of 'Abd Ullah Khan Firûzjang (d. A.H. 1054 — A D. 1644), during the reign of Shâh Jahân (A.H. 1037-1068 — A.D. 1628-1658).

Some folios are missing from the beginning, and the copy opens abruptly thus:-

..... که بدانیم که از طاعتها و اعمال جز فرد حق جل و غلا .

It is identical with the فرسنامهٔ هندى, described in Ethé, Bodl. Lib. Nos. 1864-1866; Rieu, ii. p. 482, etc. It opens with an introduction treating of the creation of the horse and of its colours, partly abridged from a Persian work on farriery فرسنامهٔ فارسی written in the time of Mahmûd Gaznawi. The real فرسنامهٔ begins on fol. 5b, and is divided into two Qisms. The first treats of the knowledge of horses and their good or bad signs, in twelve Bâbs. The second, on fol. 28a, deals with the various diseases of the horse and their treatment, in thirty-eight Bâbs.

The above is followed by another treatise of the same author, dealing with the diseases of horses and their cure by means of special prayers, as well as medical prescriptions, beginning on

fol. 69a :-

بعد هدا آنچه از ابتدای شوق و صبح شعور خود بنده عبد الله در باب اسب از ادعیه و ادویه که بتجریهٔ خود رسیده النم .

Written in careless Indian Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

(8) Archery.

No. 234.

foll 204; lines 11; size $10 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

كليات الرّمي

KULLIYÂT-UR-RAMÎ.

An exhaustive work on archery, by Sayyid Amin-ud-Din, son of Mir Muḥammad Hāshim bin Sayyid Ahmad Najafi عبد أحين أبي بن مير محمد هاشم بن سيد أحمد نجفي أندخوني أبدخوني الدخوني المنابخ المنا

Beginning:-

تير روى ترکش زبان و زه کمان معاني و بيان حمد حکيمي است .

The work is dedicated to Muhammad Shah (A.H. 1131-1161 — A.D. 1719-1748. It is divided into a Muqaddimah, twenty-five Kulliyahs, and a Khatimah.

Written in fair Indian Ta'liq, for one Sayyid Muhammad

Khan Bahadur,

Dated Friday, 4th Shawwal, A.H, 1196. Scribe: - كريم بخشي.

(9) Music.

No. 235.

foll 129; lines 11-16; size 9×6; 7×34

أصول النفيات الآصفي USUL-UN-NAGMĀT-UL-ĀSAFĪ.

A compendium of Indian music, written, according to the preface in this copy, by Gulâm Ridâ, son of Muhammad Panāh المنافذة المنافذة بالمنافذة بالمنافذة المنافذة ال

بأصف لقب . أن سليمان سرير بمعذي است شاه و بصورت وزير Beginning:-

نحمد و نصلي و نسلم - وجد انگيز ترتمی که سوزان سينه ريشان محبت را بنمک خواباند النم *

The work is divided into six Uşûl, each sub-divided into several Faşls. A complete index of the contents is given on foll. 36-46.

Dr. Ethé, India Office Lib. Cat. No. 2023, in noticing a fragment of the work (only the first Aşl), says that it was composed at the request of Mr. Richard Johnson by an anonymous author.

This copy, a complete one, is written in ordinary Indian

Ta'liq and is full of clerical mistakes.

The above treatise is followed by another work on Indian music, entitled راك دريل, especially treating of the musical modes and melodies of the Hindus. According to the preface it is originally based on an old Sanskrit work on Indian music, styled here ally based on an old Sanskrit work on Indian music, styled here which was written for Rajah Man Singh of Gwâliyar (d. about A.H. 924 - A.D. 1518), and from which this Persian translation was made by Faqir Ullah باقير الله who completed it about A.H. 1076 - A.D. 1665.

This copy is substantially the same as the one noticed in Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. No. 2017, and the contents described therein agree word for word with those of the present copy. But the opening lines of the two copies are different. Our copy begins thus on fol. 76^b:—

ترانه حدد مر نوازنده را رواست که از نوازش -از و برک پر -وز و -از الغ . Written in ordinary but legible Nasta'liq by مير بادشاه. Neither of the treatises is dated, but both were written apparently in the 19th century.

No. 236.

foll, 99; lines 13; size 83 × 51; 7×4.

A collection of treatises on Indian music.

I. Foll 16-14a. اعول غنا Uşûl-i-Ginâ, a tract on the different tunes and melodies of music, written for Râi Dâl Chand Sâhib, by Râi Chand Aḥmadâbādi رلى جند احمد أبادي. It was completed in A.H. 1178 — A.D. 1764, for which the title forms a chronogram.

Beginning:-

بعد اقرار ر اعتراف بفجر و قصور از لياقت و طاقت گذارش و ستايش و قيايش خداوندي النم .

The work is based on musical tracts composed by men of different creeds and sects and is divided into three chapters.

Foll. 146-17ª blank.

II Foll, 176-386. Another tract on the Râgs and Râginis of India, entitled at the end رسائل مرسيةي Risâlah-i-Mûsiqî. The author's name does not appear anywhere and the work begins thus without any preface:—

بدانکه در ولایت ایران وغیره شش آواز علم موسقی را شش نام مقرر کرده اند .

Foll. 39a-40a blank.

Uşûl-un-Nagmāt, See No. اعرل النغات Uşûl-un-Nagmāt, See No. 235. It is defective towards the end and breaks off in the middle of the fifth Aşl, corresponding with line 1 on fol. 729 of the above-mentioned copy.

Written in fair Indian Ta'liq.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 237.

foll, 63; lines 11-17; size 81 × 6; 6 × 31.

A fragment of a large treatise on Indian music. It is defective at both ends, and opens abruptly with the fourth chapter:—

باب چهارم در نواختن هر کدام راگها و راگفیها در طفهور .

The fifth chapter begins thus on fol. 176:-

باب پنجم در علم سنكيت يعني علم موسيقي و آن مشتمل است بر ده فصل ه

The concluding lines are :-

و قعام بقدان هفت ماترا باشد بدين شكل الغ .

The fourth chapter is written in fair Nasta'liq and the fifth in careless Ta'liq.

Foll. 9a-16b contain blank tables. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

(10) Divination, Geomancy and Magic.

No. 238.

foll. 72; lines 14; size 12 × 74; 91 × 51.

سحر العيون

SIHR-UL-UYÚN

A treatise dealing with the properties and secret virtues of various magical and cabalistic operations, exorcism, talismans, etc., translated from the بعدر العبن of Abi 'Abd Ullah Magribi and the بعدر العبن of Hakim Abul Qasim Muhammad bin Ahmad ul-Traqi us-Siwawi (who lived about A.H. 850 — A.D. 1446). According to the preface the present work is translated from the above-named two Arabic works, but the translator (who does not give his name) added copious facts and information from various other sources. It was written for one Amir Sayyid Qasim, whose name is introduced after a great many honorific titles.

The date of composition, given at the end, is A.H. 907 -

. 1001.

Beginning:-

حضرت واهب العطيات و عالم الخفيات له الحمد الغ .

It is divided into two Maqsads, each sub-divided into several Asls, and a Khātimah.

Written in bold Nasta'liq.

Dated A.H. 1246.

The above treatise is followed by an account of the magical performances shown to Jahangir by a party of magicians. It begins thus:—

در بیان رسیدن جماعه بازیگران بحضور جهانگیر بادشاه و نیرفجات عجیبه و طلعمات غریبه بر روی کار آوردن - اول تحم اقسام درخت برزمین ریخته .

This portion, written apparently by the same scribe, is in a still bolder Nasta'liq.

No. 239.

foll. 123; lines 15; size 9×51; 61×3.

قواهد الهدايت QAWÂ'ID-UL-HIDÂYAT.

A detailed work on geomancy, compiled by Hidâyat Ullah, popularly known as Munajjim Shirâzî هدايت الله, A.H. 1001 — A.D. 1592, and dedicated to the emperor Akbar.

Beginning:-

شکرو سیاس و حدد بیقیاس مر صانعی را که نقاش قدرت او به پرکار تصویرو بقام تقدیر صفحات افلاک را .

It is divided into a Muqaddimah, and four Jihats ____. See Ethé, Ind. Office No. 2266.

Written in good Naskh.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 240.

foll. 15; lines 9; size 8×41; 41×21.

An anonymous short tract in fifteen Babs treating of the properties and hidden virtues of various magical and cabalistic operations, exorcism, etc., and of ingenious devices and recipes for purposes of utility.

It opens abruptly thus:-

ديكر عملهاى اطيف كردن و اين كتاب از ادريس پيغمبر ماندة است النوه

Written in careless Ta'liq.

A modern copy, written apparently in the 19th century.

No. 241.

foll. 147; lines 17; size 111 × 71; 71 × 41.

A collection of treatises dealing with all kinds of hidden sciences, the virtues and properties of various magical and cabalistic operations, exorcism, talismans, prayers, invocations, etc., etc.

I. Foll. 20. This treatise is introduced by a heading, written in red, خواص سورة هاى قرآن, followed by the following line in which the work is ascribed to the celebrated Mullâ Bâqîr Majlisî (d. A.H-1110 — A.D. 1698):—

It treats of the virtues and properties of all the Sûrahs of the Qurân, arranged in order, of some special prayers and invocations, of the secret virtues of letters and numerals, of the construction of magical squares, charms and amulets, and a collection of prescriptions, etc., etc.

Beginning:-

بسند معتبر مفقولست كه حضرت امام رضا ٣ فرمود كه يسم الله الرحمن الغ .

Fol. 1 should be placed after fol. 2.

II. Fol. 456. فالذامة حضوت المام رضا A Fâl Nâmah or Book of Divination, ascribed to the famous Imâm 'Ali Rida, translated into Persian by على ابن القاضي 'Ali ibn-ul-Qâdî.

Beginning :-

بعد از سهاس حضرت ايزد متعال كه مبدع كل است و درود بيحد الغ .

The Fal Namah is followed by a collection of prescriptions, the virtues of some special invocations, charms, amulets, and of various magical and cabalistic operations.

Tuhfat-ul-Ĝarâ'ib. A treatise dealing with similar subjects, by Muḥammad bin Shaykh Muḥammad Sarfarāzi محمد بن شيخ محمد سرفرازي.

Beginning:-

حمد بيصد وسيلس بيعد نشار باركاه ملك بي نياز تبارك و تعالى و تقدس .

Written in fair Nasta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

(11) Interpretation of Dreams.

No. 242.

foll. 291; lines 21; size 81 × 51; 61 × 4

A defective copy of a detailed work on the interpretation of dreams. The name of the author and the title of the work cannot be ascertained on account of a lacuna at the beginning as well as at the end. It opens abruptly with the words:—

and ends :-

و اگر بیند که کردم را بکشت دلیل کند که بردشمی ظفر یابد و اگر بیند که بعد از کشتی آن

The authorities frequently cited are :-

Written in beautiful Naskh within gold and coloured borders.

A great many folios are borderless.

A good old copy.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

(12) Specimen of Calligraphy.

No. 243.

foll. 15; lines 2; size 201×14; 161×10.

Fifteen gilded folios pasted on thick piece-boards, containing specimens of Persian calligraphy. Each folio bears the signature of Muḥammad Ḥusām-ud-Din of Lucknow محمد حسام الدين لكيتري. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

VI. PHILOLOGY.

- (1) Lexicography.
- (a) Persian Dictionaries.

No. 244.

foll. 369; lines 23; size 11×6; 8×31.

مولد الفضلا

MU'AYYID-UL-FUDALÂ

The well-known Persian dictionary, by Muḥammad bin Lad عصد بي لاد, completed, according to Blochmann Contributions, p. 9, in A.H. 925 — A.D. 1519.

Beginning:-

مصامد متوافرة و مدايم متكاثرة مر دادار دافا تفكري توافا وا .

The work explains all the words and phrases occurring in the Shah Namah, Nizami's Khamsah, the six poems of Sana'i, the diwans of Khaqani, Anwari, Zahir, Abhari, Hafiz, Salman, Sa'di, etc. The words are grouped in Kitabs according to the initial letters, and, in each Kitab, in Babs, according to the final letters. Each Bab consists of three Fasls, the first comprising the Arabic words and sentences generally used in the Persian language, the second the Persian and Pahlawi words, the third the Turkish words.

The name of the author given in the concluding lines of this

محمد بي لاد بي عبد الرهاب copy is

Written in ordinary but legible Nasta'liq on creamy and yellow papers, with casual emendations on the margins.

Dated, Jahangir Nagar (Dacca), 23rd Safar, A.H. 1096.

No. 245.

foll, 350; lines 21; size $12 \times 7\frac{1}{2}$; $10 \times 5\frac{1}{4}$.

مدار الافاضل MADÂR-UL-AFÂDIL.

A Persian dictionary, explaining Persian, Arabic and Turkish words, by Ilahdâd Faydî bin Asad-ul-'Ulamâ 'Alî Shir Sirhindî فيضي بن أحد العلما على شير سرهندى, who completed it A.H. 1001 — A.D. 1593,

Beginning:-

اى نام تو ورد هر زبان دگر است الم .

The arrangement is that the first letter constitutes the Bab and the last the Faşl, each Faşl consisting of three Sections, viz. the Arabic, then the Persian and finally the Turkish words, indicated respectively by a red \$\rho\$, \$\ldots\$ and \$\ldots\$.

The Khatimah, treating of the meanings of single letters in Persian, begins on fol. 344°.

Written in small Ta'liq, occasional notes on the margin,

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

. تصير الدين شرقى -: Scribe

No. 246.

foll, 514; lines 23; size $13\frac{3}{4} \times 7\frac{3}{4}$; $10 \times 5\frac{1}{4}$.

فرهنگ جهانگيري FARHANG-I-JAHANGÎRÎ.

The famous Persian dictionary, containing purely Persian words, with copious poetical quotations, by Jamal-ud-Din Husayn Injû bin Fakhr-ud-Din Ḥasan Shirazi جمال الدين حسن انجر بي النجر بي النجر بي شيرازي, who died in Agrah in or after A.H. 1032 — A.D. 1623. The author commenced the work under Akbar and finished it A.H. 1017 — A.D. 1608, under Jahangir, after whom it is named.

An introduction or Muqaddimah, divided into twelve A'ins, treats of the Persian language, dialects, grammar, etc., fol 43; the dictionary proper begins thus on fol, 16b: عنام البرن بعثمانام الذي الف نصل الف . The arrangement is that the second letter constitutes the Bâb, the first the Faşl. The appendix (Khātimah) divided into five مر بعثمانام treats of metaphorical and figurative expressions, compound words, words containing any of the letters peculiar to Arabic, Zand, Pazand, and foreign words, on fol. 4376.

The work has been lithographed in Lucknow, A.H. 1293.

Written in large Indian Ta'liq within coloured-ruled borders,
with an illuminated head-piece.

Dated 17th Shawwal, A.H 1222.

Fol. 1s bears the following signature:—
"Lewis Da Costa, Calcutta, July, 1827."

The signature is followed by a note, written in the same handwriting giving a short description of the work.

No. 247.

foll 557; lines 29; size 117×67; 9×5.

برهان قاطع BURHÂN-I-QÂTI'.

A dictionary of the Persian language including words bor rowed from the Arabic and several other languages, by Muḥammad Ḥusayn, poetically called Burhān, bin Khalaf ut-Tabrīzi محمد حصين منظام به برهان بن خلف التبريزي, completed A.H. 1062 — A.D. 1651 and dedicated to 'Abd Ullah Qutub Shāh (A.H. 1035-1083 — A.D. 1625-1672).

Beginning:-

The work consists of nine Fa'idahs, on the Persian language, its letters, particles and orthography. The description of these Fa'idahs, found in other copies, is wanting here, in consequence of a lacuna after fol. 1^h. Twenty-eight Guftars, comprising the entire dictionary, in which the words are arranged according to the first, second and third letters, fol. 8^h. The 29th Guftar, containing seventy-one words, most of which are foreign words and proper names, begins on fol. 556^o. The work has been edited by Capt. Roebuck, Calcutta, 1818, and reprinted in 1822 and 1834.

Written in good Naskh within gold and coloured-ruled borders

with an illuminated but faded head-piece.

The headings are written in bolder Naskh. Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 248.

foll. 282; lines 15; size 9×5 ; 6×3 .

فوهنگ فاروقي FARHANG-I-FÄRÛQÎ.

A defective copy of a Persian dictionary. Several folios are missing from the beginning, consequently the name of the author, the title of the work, etc., cannot be ascertained from the text. In the colophon, however, the work is called فرهنگ نارزي. It opens abruptly with the words درد که پوست را اداره کند ر درست کرداند. The first word explained here is پراختی. The arrangement is that the first letter constitutes the Bab, and the last the Faşl. The explanations are very short and there are few poetical quotations. The first two chapters, viz. of الف and له, and the earlier portion of the third (له), are wanting. Several folios at the beginning are misplaced.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq.

Dated, Friday, the 14th of Rajab, A.H. 1049.

.شين ابو العاصر -: Scribe

The upper margins of several folios at the beginning are replaced by new ones.

(b) Arabic-Persian Dictionaries.

No. 249.

foll, 281; lines 19; size 81×41; 7×31.

تاج الاسامي TAI-UL-ASAML

An Arabic-Persian dictionary in which the words are arranged according to the initial and the final letter, that is the first letter of a word contributes the Bab and the last the Fast.

Beginning:-

The dictionary begins immediately after three lines devoted to the praise of God and the Prophet, and the name of the author does not appear anywhere in the text, but Dr. Ethé, Bodl. Lib. No. 1634, says that in Fraser's hand-list the work has been ascribed to the celebrated Maḥmūd bin 'Umar-uz-Zamakhshari who died A.H. 538 — A.D. 1143.

The first 104 folios are written in fair Naskh and the rest in

ordinary Nasta'liq inclined towards Naskh.

The last folio has been supplied in a modern hand.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 250.

foll 503; lines 19; size 101×6; 81×4.

كنز اللغات

KANZ-UL-LUGAT.

An Arabie-Persian dictionary, by Muḥammad bin 'Abd-ul-Khāliq bin Ma'rûf محمد بن عبد الخالق بن معريف, dedicated to Kārgiyā Sultān Muḥammad bin Giyā bin Nāṣir Giyā of Gilān, who reigned A.H. 851-883 = A.D. 1447-1478, and his son and heir, Kārgiyā Mirzā 'Ali, who was killed A.H. 911 = A.D. 1505.

Beginning:-

ابتداء هر سخى أن خوبتر كوست حمد خالق جن و بشر جواهر كفوز لغات حمد و سنايش الني .

The dictionary itself begins on fol. 4b with the كثاب الالف باب الثلاثي المجرد It is arranged alphabetically according to the first and the last letter of the words.

Written in fair Nasta'liq.

The last three folios are damaged.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 251.

foll. 37; lines 19; size 9 x 51; 7 x 31.

THE SAME.

A fragment of the preceding work, beginning as usual. Fol. 7b is followed by a large lacuna corresponding with fol. 10b, line 18 to fol. 477, line 13 of the preceding copy, and fol. 8a suddenly begins with عامان الوار مع الصاد.

Written in fair Nasta'liq, by Dîn Muhammad, a servant of Mîr Sayyid Muhammad Fîrûz.

Dated 7th Rabi' II, A.H. 1127.

The margins of the first seven folios contain some points of Muhammadan law in the forms of questions and answers, written in a later hand.

No. 252.

foll. 309; lines 17; size 9×51; 61×4.

مغتضب اللغات شاهجهان

MUNTAKHAB-UL-LUGAT-I-SHAHJAHANI.

The popular Arabic-Persian dictionary, by 'Abd-ur-Rashid ul-Ḥusayni ul-Madani ut-Tatawi عبد الرشيد التصيني الندني التنوى composed in A.H. 1046 — A.D. 1636, and dedicated to the emperor Shâh Jahân.

Beginning:-

It is also called Rashidi 'Arabi and is arranged alphabetically

according to the initial and final letters,

A reproduction of this work, arranged in the alphabetical form of European dictionaries, was published by J. H. Taylor, Calcutta, 1816; other printed editions appeared ib. 1808 and 1836; Lucknew, 1835, 1845 and A.H. 1286; lithographed, Bombay, 1862.

Written in small careless Ta'liq.

Not dated, apparently the latter part of the 19th century.

No. 253.

foll. 296; lines 30; size 13×81; 10×5.

قابوس QÁBÛS.

The Persian translation of Majd-ud-Din Muḥammad Firūzâbādi's (d. A.H. 817 — A.D. 1414) well-known Arabic dictionary, the Qâmûs, by Muḥammad Ḥabīb Ullah محمد حبيب الله, completed A.H. 1149 — A.D. 1736.

The work is divided by the binder into two volumes.

Vol. I. Beginning:-

حدد و نيايش گونا گون معروض حضرت عليم و علامي كه تعليم كل اسماد از صفات خامة اوست .

The dictionary itself begins on fol. 96 with the word \$34.

The Babs are arranged according to the last, the Faşls according to the first letter. This volume ends with the word have.

No. 254.

foll. 291 (297-582); lines and size same as above.

Vol. II.

The continuation of the preceding copy, beginning with باب ذراثيع The first word is ذراثيع.

Both the copies are written in small Nasta'liq by one scribe within coloured-ruled borders with a beautifully illuminated headpiece at the beginning of the first volume.

The date of transcription, given at the end of the second

volume, is Sunday, the 7th Jumada II, A.H. 1229.

The copy has been amended and repaired in many places. The last four folios of volume second are mounted upon new margins.

(c) Turkish-Persian Dictionary.

No. 255.

foll. 128; lines 14; size $9\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{3}{4}$; $7\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

لغت توكي LUGAT-I-TURKI.

A vocabulary of Turki or Oriental Turkish, explained in Persian, by Fadl Ullah Khan نضل الله خان, who wrote it by the order of the emperor 'Aurangzib.

Beginning:-

مبحل الله هرگاه طر افصے عرب و عجم گل ال احصى ثقار اعلیک بشگفته النو .

It is divided into an Introduction and three Babs, as follows:-

Introduction, on Turki suffixes, fol. 2a,

First Bâb, Verbs arranged in alphabetical order according to the first letters, fol. 2b. Second Bâb, Nouns arranged in alphabetical order, according to the first and last letters, fol. 31b. This chapter is wrongly styled باب دوره instead of باب دوره instead of باب دوره The Third Bâb on miscellaneous words, as numerals, limbs of the body, names of animals, of Turkish tribes, etc., is wanting in this copy.

Printed at the request of Sir W. Ouseley, with improvement and additions, by Maulavi 'Abd-ur Rahim, Calcutta, A.H. 1240.

Written in careless Indian Tabliq.

Foll. 87-104 are damaged and worm-eaten and the top margins of these folios are hopelessly damaged. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

Foll. 1065-1225. Miscellaneous Arabic verses with their respec-

tive metre and paraphrase in Persian

Foll. 1235-1280. A long letter in Persian in which the writer, who calls himself at the end و الواثق با الله العلى محمد المشتهر بعلي , explains the meaning of some difficult and doubtful verses of Khāqānī.

(2) Grammar.

No. 256.

foll. 305; lines 19; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; $6 \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

شوح شافيد

SHARH-I-SHAFIYAH.

A Persian commentary on Ibn-ul-Ḥājib's (d. A.H. 646 — A D. 1248) treatise on etymology and orthography, styled الشائية. This commentary was composed by Muḥammad Hādi bin Muḥammad Sālih of Māzandarān محمد عاني بن محمد عالي مازندراني (who was still alive in A.H. 1088 — A.D. 1677), at the request of Nawwāh Khān bin Khān hin Khān Ḥusayn 'Alī Khān.

Beginning :-

العمد الله رب العالمين و الصلوة جنين كويد ذرَّة بيمقدار النم .

The Arabic original is over-lined in red or written in large Naskh.

Written in fair Nasta'liq.

About fifty folios in the beginning are water-stained. Foll. 245-301 are mounted on new margins. The last four folios have been supplied in a modern hand.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 257.

foll. 377; lines 17; size 101 × 71; 8 × 41.

THE SAME.

Another copy of the preceding work, without any mark of distinction between the original text and the commentary.

Written in ordinary Ta'liq at the desire of Maulavi Maqbul

Husayn.

Dated, Thursday, 5th of Rabi 1, A.H. 1253.

No. 258.

foll. 220; lines 19; size 12×71; 9×41.

عافيه

'AFIYAH.

Another Persian commentary on Ibn-ul-Ḥājib's الشائية, by Muḥammad Sa'd محمد عبد, see fol. 16, line 10 (but in the conclusion, fol. 2190, line 15, he is called Muḥammad Sa'id, surnamed Gālib, محمد سعيد منتخلص بغالب), who completed it in Ṣafar, A.H. 1097 — A.D. 1685.

Beginning:-

ستایش و نیایش بسیار سزاوار حضرت کردگاری که قوانین و قواعد علم تصریف النم .

The text, written in large Naskh, is over-lined in red. Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq. Dated 27th Rabi' I, A.H. 1227.

.سيد عباس عرف رجبي -- Scribe

A note on fol. 1s in the handwriting of Sayyid 'All Muhammad of Panduah says that Maulavi Fadl-ur-Rabb inherited the copy from his grandfather, Maulavi Qalandar Bakhsh, from whom 'Ali Muhammad purchased it in 1274 (Bengali year).

No. 259.

foll, 169; lines 18; size 81 x 41; 6 x 21.

شرح الفية

SHARH-I-ALFIYYAH.

A Persian commentary on the famous Arabic grammar in verse, entitled منافع or الأنفية of Jamâl-ud-Dîn Abû 'Abd Ullah Muḥammad bin 'Abd Ullah uṭ-Ṭâ'i, known as Ibn-i-Mâlik (who died A.H. 672 — A D. 1273), by Muḥammad 'Alî bin Maulânā Âqā Bābā'i Sirkāni محمد على بن مولانا أنا بابائي سركاني .

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين اما بعد بر غماير عافيه اعتماب سخي د ابصار الني • The Arabic original is written in red.

Foll. 3-72 are written in ugly Nasta'liq, the rest in fair Nasta'liq.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 260.

foll. 70; lines 11-27; size 8\$ × 5\$; 7\$-6 · 5-3.

Three Persian treatises on Arabic grammar.

I. دستور المبتدى Dastur-ul-Mubtadi, fol. 10. On the laws of permutation which apply to the Arabic irregular verbs, compiled by Şafi bin Naşir عفي بن نصير for his son Abul Makarim Isma'il, in the form of questions and answers.

-Beginning:-

التعمد لله الذي يصرف الدوال و يتخفف الاثقال الني

Foll. 1s. 150 are written in fair Nasta'liq, the rest in eareless Nim-shikastah.

II. عرف مير عبر Sarf-i-Mir, fol. 33b. The popular treatise on Arabic inflexion, by Mir Sayyid Sharif Jurjani مير عبد شريف جرجاني who was born A.H. 740 = A.D. 1339, and died A.H. 816 = A.D. 1413.

Beginning :-

بدان ایدک الله تعالی فی الدارین که کلمات لغت عرب برسه قسم است - اسم و فعل و حرف النم ه

Written in fair Nasta'liq in the Madrasah of Munshi Sadr-ud-Din by Shaykh Fadl Ullah, son of Shaykh Muhammad 'Âdil bin Shaykh Muhammad Zâhid, resident of Chaklah Jasar, Sarkâr Khalifah Âbâd.

III. An anonymous treatise dealing with various technicalities of Arabic grammar, explained in the form of questions and answers, fol. 554.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين ... بدان كه اين كتاب است بدان (؟) الحمد در اصل چه بود جواب الحمد در اصل حمداً بود .

Written in careless small Ta'liq.

None of the treatises is dated, but apparently all of them were written in the 19th century.

No. 261.

foll. 66; lines 8-15; size 81×51; 61×31.

A collection of treatises on Persian Grammar.

I. Foll. 16-109. جامع المصادر Jâmi'-ul-Maṣâdir, on Persian infinitives, arranged in alphabetical order.

Beginning:-

II. Foll, 11a-20a. An anonymous grammar containing paradigms of Persian Verbs.

Beginning:-

III. Foll, 21a-24b. غرب المثل Darb-ul-Maşal. A collection of Persian proverbs.

Beginning:-

IV. Foll. 25^b-42^b. Another treatise on Persian Verbs with their different forms.

Beginning:-

V. Foll. 436-665. قواعد فارسي Qawā id-i-Fārsī. A Persian grammar dealing with different forms of the signification of the single letters of the alphabet, and some compound words, by Raushan 'Ali Anṣāri of Jaunpūr روشی علی انصاری جونپوری who died as professor in the College of Fort William, Calcutta, about A.D. 1810.

Beginning:-

بعد از حمد حضرت آفریدگار و نعت جذاب رسول مختار صلی الله علیه و آله و سلم بدانکه این رساله موسوم بقواعد فارسي النج .

It is divided into a Muqaddimah, eleven Bâbs and a Khatimah. It has been printed in Calcutta, A.H. 1232 and 1249, and lithographed in Lucknow.

Written in fair Nasta'liq.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

(3) Prosody. No. 262.

foll, 116; lines 12; size 8½×6; 7×4.

المعجم في معاقبر اشعار العجم

AL-MU'JAM FI MA'AYÎR-I ASH'AR-IL-'AJAM.

A work on prosody, rhyme and poetical figures, by Shamsud-Dîn Muḥammad ibn Qays of Ray شمس الدين متحبد ابن قيس الرازي. Beginning:—

الحمد لله المنعوت بنعوت الجلال الموصوف بصفات الكمال الع .

The work has been edited by Mirza Muhammad with introduction and indices in "E. J. W. Gibb Memorial" series (London, 1909).

The title of the work given in the preface is العجم في اشعار العجم أي اشعار العجم ا

The present copy is somewhat abridged. Most of the poetical quotations found in the printed edition are omitted, while the prose part is merely an abstract. The system of divisions and arrangement, found in the printed edition, is maintained. The year in which the author began to write the book is given here as A.H. 615 = A.D. 1218, instead of A.H. 614, as in the printed edition, and the name of the person to whom the work is dedicated runs here thus:—

حضرت خداوند خافان معظم تاج مفيض ملوك عالم قطب الدنيا و الدين عضد السلام و المسلمين قرة عيون السلاطين علاء الدولة بهاء الامة ضياء الملة ظهير الانام عمدة الخلافة افتضار جهان اعظم فرنداش خان ابو المويد سلغر شاة بن سعد قصر امير المومنين ضاعف الله جلالة و مد ظلاله .

Of the two Qisms into which the work is divided the first on Prosody, sub-divided into four Babs, begins on fol 5b; the second on Rhyme, sub-divided into six Babs, on fol 55°. The Khātimah on poetical figures begins on fol. 111°. Written in a careless and hasty Nasta'liq. In the colophon, dated 23 Jumādā II, A.H. 1236, the scribe سيد عطا علي طباطبائي says that he completed the transcription in twenty days.

No. 263.

foll. 88; lines 22; size 81×41; 61×21.

مجمع المغالع MAJMA'-UŞ-ŞANÂ'I'.

A treatise on poetical figures by Niẓâm-ud-Din Aḥmad bin Muḥammad Ṣâliḥ uṣ-Ṣiddiqi-ul-Ḥusayni منالج الصديةي العصيذي , who completed it, as stated at the end, on the 3rd of Ramadan, A.H. 1060 = A.D. 1650.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله الذي انعم علينا و هدانا الى السلام النو .

The work is divided into four chapters نصل and an Appendix ... as follows:—

- در تاسيم كلام , various kinds of composition, fol. 30.
- در بدایع لفظی , word-ornaments, fol. 14°.
- 3. در صنایع معنوی , concetti, fol. 50b.
- در سرقات شعری, plagiarisms in poetry, fol. 816.

Appendix, on technical terms, fol. 846.

Written in ordinary but legible Nasta'liq, at the desire of Muḥammad 'Ali Khān, with occasional emendations on the margins.

Dated 22nd Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1172, the fifth regnal year of 'Alamgir II.

.سيد زين العابدين الحسيني الموسوي-: Scribe

No. 264.

foll 107; lines 15; size 81×5 ; 6×31 .

THE SAME.

Another copy of the preceding work.

Chapter I on fol. 3b II on fol. 16b. III on fol. 63a. IV on 97b. The appendix or Khātimah in this copy is not distinguished from the rest by a heading.

Written in ordinary Ta'liq. Dated 16th Muharram, A H. 1204.

No. 265.

foll 59; lines 30; size 12×8; 9½×5½.

A very interesting, valuable and curious composition on the logical and rhetorical sciences and the art of rhyming. The work is an anonymous one, and is bound in two separate parts.

Part I.

Beginning:-

ان احسن الكلام و ابلغ الفظام بعد حمد الله الحكيم العلام الصلوة و السلام على الاقبياء العظام خداوقدا معلمان و متعلمان حكمت وا بالبام حق النع •

In the beginning the author mentions the celebrated Nasirud-Dîn Tûşî (d. A H. 672 — A.D. 1273) and the work نباية الاقداء.

This part is devoted for the greater part to Logic, in dealing with which the author gives a clear exposition of the abstract principles of the science, and the meaning and explanation of logical terms, profusely illustrated by examples. The latter portion of the work is devoted to prosody and rhyme.

No. 266.

foll. 57; lines and size same as above.

Part II. On the various embellishments of prose and poetical compositions, rhetorical figures, tropes and other artifices of poetry, on prosody and rhyme, the principles of scansion, the different feet and the modifications of which each is susceptible, with a discussion on the different metres and a dissertation on rhyme, etc., profusely illustrated by quotations from ancient and modern authors.

Foll 15-3° contain the earlier portion of Sharaf-ud-Din Ibnul-Muqri's (d A.H. 837 — A.D. 1433) 'Unwân-ush-Sharaf (lithographed, Calcutta, A.H. 1272), composed by order of Malik Ashraf Ismâ'il bin 'Abbâs (A.H. 778-803 — A.D. 1376-1400), the seventh king of the Rasûlî dynasty of Yaman. The 'Unwân-ush-Sharaf, of which only a portion (extending to line 17, p. 5 of the lithographed edition) is quoted in the present MS. as a specimen is a very curious composition. It begins with a treatise on Muhammadan law according to the Shâfi'i school.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله ولي الحمد و مستحدة الذي لا يقوم بحمدة احد من خلفه و فشيد إلى لا .

in the above line is written in red. The second in the line is written in red within a column, نحيد is also written in red within a column, and the last letter of the last word in the line (!) is written in red too. The first letter of the first word in the second and each succeeding line, or it and one or more of the following letters, and the last letter of the last word, or it and one or two others, are written in red Portions of the second and each succeeding line are written in red in the columns in which and sees of the first line are so written. The words formed by the "first word" letters, written in red, read from the top downwards, compose a treatise on prosody. The words formed by reading the letters in the right-hand column, from the top downwards, compose an account of the Rasuli dynasty of Yaman. The words formed by reading the letters in the left-hand column compose a treatise on grammar. Those formed by the "last-word" letters compose a treatise on rhyme. There are, therefore, five treatises in all.

Quotations from well-known Arabic and Persian authors, both ancient and modern, are numerous, the last name given being Sa'ib's (d. A.H. 1088 — A.D. 1677), found on fol. 22^b, line 9. It seems, therefore, probable that the work was composed towards the end of the 17th century or at the beginning of the 18th century. Both parts are elegantly written by the same scribe in beautiful minute Naskh and Nasta'liq in gold, blue and red, within gold and coloured borders with a beautifully illuminated head-piece at the beginning of the First Part. Scattered notes are found here

and there on the margins.

Neither of the copies is dated, but apparently they were written immediately after the composition of the work.

(4) Rhetoric, Ornate Prose and Letters. No. 267.

foll, 247; lines 13; size 8 x 41; 51 x 21.

رسائل الامجاز RASÀ'IL-UL-I'JÂZ.

The second of the five Books (Risālah) of Amir Khusrau's (d. A.H. 725 = A.D. 1325) famous work on epistolography

and elegant prose-writing entitled Raså'il-ul-I'jāz or I'jāz-i-Khus-rawī, completed, according to W. Pertsch, Berlin Cat. No. 1055, on the 7th Shawwâl, A.H. 716 — Dec. 23, A.D. 1316.

Beginning:-

As in the Berlin copy (W. Pertsch, loc. cit.), there are ten Khats. The first Risâlah has been lithographed in Lucknow, A.D. 1865, and the whole work in the same place, 1876.

This copy, a good one, is written in beautiful clear Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders, with an illuminated, now faded, head-piece.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

A note on fol. 10 is dated A.H. 1114. On the same page the work is wrongly endorsed in a modern hand "رامجاز موسوى."

No. 268.

foll. 119; lines 15; size 9½ × 5½; 6 × 3,

An incomplete copy of one of the aforesaid five Risalahs of Amir Khusrau.

Beginning:-

Fol 15 is followed by a lacuna. Several folios are also missing from the end. The MS breaks off in the middle of the second Harf of the fourth Khat. The contents of the second Harf of the third Khat (fol. 65°), however, agree with the extract of Letter 3, Book (Risālah) IV, given in Elliot, Vol. III, p. 566.

Written in fair Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece and an 'Unwan.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 269.

foll, 9; lines 17-22; size 10 × 6; 5 × 21.

خوان خلیل KHWÄN-I-KHALÎL.

Zuhûrî's فرزي (d. about A.H 1025 - A.D. 1616) well-known preface to the Khwân-i-Khalil. Beginning after five lines, which undoubtedly are the concluding lines of a prose work of the same poet:—

Printed at Lucknow, 1846; at Cawnpore, A.H. 1269 and A.D. 1873.

Written diagonally in beautiful minute Shikastah hand within illuminated and gold and coloured-ruled borders. The original folios containing the text are gold sprinkled throughout and are mounted on thick piece boards.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 270.

foll. 56; lines 15; size $8 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

Two different collections of letters bound in one volume.

I. Foll 16-290. وتعات أبر الفضل Ruqa'ât-i-Abul Faḍl. The familiar letters of Akbar's Prime Minister Abul Faḍl. أبر الفضل addressed to friends, collected and edited by his nephew Nûr-ud-Dîn Muḥammad, called here, fol. 16, Nûr Muḥammad فور محمد, who died in A.H. 1003 — A.D. 1594.

Beginning with a short preface:-

بعد از انشابی حمد و ثغلی مرحضوت خداوند واهب العطایات الع The letters have been printed in Calcutta, A. H. 1238.

H. Foll. 336-569 رقعات اهان الله حسيني Ruqa'āt-i-Amān Ullah Husayni. A collection of letters by the celebrated Amān Ullah Khān, son of Mahābat Khān امان الله خان بن مهابت خان, of Shāh Jahān and Aurangzib's time. He is the author of several other works, and died A H. 1044 or 1046 — A.D. 1634 or 1637.

Beginning:-

This collection seems to be identical with the shorter one noticed in Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. No. 2934. Printed in Calcutta, and lithographed in Lucknow, A.H. 1269.

Written in careless Taʻliq. Dated 1228 Bengali year. Scribe:—رحمعلي التعسيني.

No. 271.

foll. 55; lines 15; size 8×5; 61×31.

رمز و اشارهای هالمگبري RAMZ-WA-ISHÂRAHÂ-I-ʿĀLAMGÌRÌ.

A collection of short letters written by Aurangzib لرزنگ زيب to his children and some of the nobles of his court, edited and collected by Subudh Mal عبدة صل (in Elliot, Hist, of India, Vol. VII, p. 205, "Budh Mall"), surnamed Rām, at the desire of Rājah Âyā Mal راجة آيا صل. The title forms a chronogram for the date of compilation, A.H. 1152 — A.D. 1739.

Beginning :-

تمید قارش کلام و تسوید گذارش مرام تحمید واحد برحق و توحید محیط مطلق است .

The letters are arranged under the heads of the persons to whom they are addressed. The collection has been lithographed in the Anwar-i-Muḥammadi Press, A.H. 1293, under the title of رتعات عالماري. This title is also found in the subscription of the present MS.

Written in ordinary Ta'llq.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 272.

foll. 171; lines 12; size 74 × 44; 5 × 24.

KALIMAT-I-TAYYIBAT.

A very beautiful and correct copy of a collection of notes written by Aurangzib لرزنگ زيب in the latter portion of his reign, consisting for the most part of short instructions for letters to be written in his name, by his favourite Secretary, 'Inayat Ullah Khan عنايت الله خالي (d. A.H. 1179 — A.D. 1765), who edited the collection.

Beginning:-

الهي از قلم شكسته و زبان خسته چه آيد كه سيلس و ستايش جناب كبريا را شايد النع .

The versified chronogram, expressing the date of the compilation, A.H. 1131 — A.D. 1718, mentioned by Rieu i, p. 401, is not found here.

This collection has been printed, under the title of رقعات عالمكير,

in Lucknow, A.H. 1260, and in Lahore, A.H. 1281

Written in beautiful bold Nasta'liq within gold and colouredruled borders with an illuminated head-piece and a double-page 'Unwan. The Arabic quotations, written in red, are supplied with yowel points.

Two illuminated stars at the beginning of the copy contain the title of the work and the name of the editor, written in bolder

الله خان Nasta'liq, الله خان الله خان Nasta'liq, كالمات طيدات عالمكيري من تاليف عنايت الله خان

Dated A.H. 1141; i.e. ten years after the date of compilation. Scribe: محصد بناه بي شير محصد.

No. 273.

foll. 66; lines 14; size 81×5; 7×4.

نخبرة جواهر DAKHÎRAH-I-JAWÂHIR.

A defective copy of a collection of letters written to Aurangzib and the princes and nobles of his time. The copy is defective at both ends and opens abruptly with a part of the compiler's name Shah Nawaz, thus:—

From the defective preface in the present copy we can however glean the following particulars:—The above-named Shāh Nawāz Husayni, who flourished during the time of Aurangzib, was a Munshi of Sayyid 'Izzat Khān of Muhammad 'Azim's Court. He was requested by his brother Muhammad Hayāt to collect and edit some of the letters which he, in the capacity of Munshi, had written to Aurangzib and the princes and nobles of his reign. Hence the present collection. The MS, breaks off with the following words:—

و براى درست ساختى كافف مطالبه عمل خافمردوم قصد داشتقد ...

Written in legible Ta'liq and Shikast, Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 274.

foll, 24; lines 16; size 97 × 6; 9 × 51.

An anonymous collection of private letters written in the 19th century. Beginning abruptly without any preface: -

مند.... پیشتر که از کمال نوازش و عطوفت یکجفت کبوتر تاجدار عذایت شده بود در احتیاط و خفاظت آن هیچ نوع تساهل و تفافل راه نمی یافت النو ...

Written in careless and ugly Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

(5) Proverbs. No. 275.

foll, 218; lines 17; size 91 × 6; 7×4.

مجالب الامثال 'AJA'IB-UL-AMSAL.

A collection of Persian proverbs with short verbal explanations and anecdotes illustrating the origin and application of proverbs, by Muḥammad 'Ali Jabal-rūdi معمد علي جبل رودي, who lived in the eleventh century of the Hijrah and came to Haydarābād A.H. 1054 — A.D. 1644, in the time of 'Abd Ullah Quṭub Shāh: see Rieu, p. 7735.

Beginning:-

غاوة پيرائي رخسارة شاهد كلام بحمد خالقيست الع .

The proverbs are alphabetically arranged, each letter forming a Section (Faşl). The work seems to be identical with the by the same author, noticed in Rieu loc. cit., but the preface is different.

A very incorrect copy. Written in ordinary Ta'liq. The MS.

is worm-eaten and damaged in many places.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

VII. POETRY.

_ Anthologies.

No. 276.

foll. 574; lines 23; size 14×9; 9×5.

شاهناءه

SHAH NAMAH.

An exceedingly valuable copy of the famous epic poem Shah Namah, by Abul Qasim Mansur surnamed Firdausi أبر القام منصور, who was born in Shadab near Tus about A.H. 321 or 322 — A.D. 933 or 934, and died in A.H. 411 — A.D. 1020. According to some the poet died in A.H. 416 — A.D. 1025 or A H. 421 — A.D. 1030.

The work has been frequently lithographed and printed. See Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. Cat. No. 860.

This copy contains the introduction written in A.H. 829 — A.D. 1426 by the order of Mirza Baysangar, and begins thus:—

The preface concludes with a list of the ancient Persian kings from Kayumurs to Yazdijird described in the text.

The poem opens thus on fol, 100:-

The second half of the Shah Namah, which begins on fol. 263b is entitled here دَنَاتِ لَرَاحِي قَامَة

A very fine specimen of eastern ornamentation containing the following quatrains written in golden letters on foll. 1b-2a.

The following folios contain richly illuminated illustrations:—
7a, 10b, 66a, 100a, 123a, 156b, 182b, 210a, 232b, 246a, 263b, 286a, 295a, 315b, 333a, 349a, 361b, 382b, 392b, 415a, 424a, 457b, 478b, 507b, 526a and 540b.

Written in fine Nasta'liq, within four gold and coloured-ruled columns. The headings are written on gold grounds.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

A note on fol. 1st says that 'Inayat Ullah Salari of Murshidabad purchased this MS, through Sayyid Muhammad Tahir Shirazi for rupees seven hundred. A second note on the same folio says that Maulavi Sayyid Sadr-ud-Din Ahmad of Bühar, Bardawan, received it from the said 'Inayat Ullah.

No. 277.

foll. 499; lines 24; size 15] ×91; 8[×4].

THE SAME.

Another copy of the Shah Namah wanting the Baysangari preface.

Beginning:-

Foll. 16-2a contain sumptuously designed decorations. Other illustrations are to be found on foll. 11b, 29b, 57a, 64a, 88a, 100a, 133b, 141a, 163b, 173b, 201a, 217a, 244a, 282b, 295a, 311a, 341a, 402a, 414b, 458a and 480b.

Foll. 5a-493b are written in the same hand as the preceding copy. The first four folios and foll. 494-499 are supplied in a later Indian hand. Written within four columns within gold and coloured-ruled borders.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

No. 278.

foll, 208; lines 13; size 101 × 7; 8 × 42.

منتخب شاهنامه

MUNTAKHAB-I-SHAH NAMAH.

An abridgment of Firdausi's Shah Namah, with copious extracts from the poem, connected by a prose narrative. It contains an account from Kayûmurş to Ardashir Bâbagân.

Beginning:-

حمدبیغایت و ثغلی می نهایت مرحضوت کبویلی واجب الوجودسی وا .

The author Tawakkul Beg bin Tûlak Beg أَوْلِكُ بِيكُ an officer of Prince Dârâ Shikûh, made this abridgment at the request of Shamshir Khân, Thânahdâr of Gaznîn, to whom he was sent as a chronicler by the said prince in A.H. 1063 — A D. 1652. The work is also known as Khulasah-i-Shah Namah, Tarikh-i-Dilkusha and Tarikh-i-Shamshir Khani.

Written in careless Indian Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 279.

foll, 238; lines 15; size 9 × 41; 6 × 21.

يوسف وزليخا YÜSUF WA ZALÎKHÂ.

Firdausi's romantic poem on the loves of Yûsuf and Zalikhâ.

Beginning:—

The work has been repeatedly lithographed in Cawnpore.

Dr. Ethé has published an excellent edition of the work.

Written in post Nasta'llo within gold and coloured-ruled l

Written in neat Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders. First two folios are profusely illuminated. The MS, is wormeaten and pasted over in many places.

Dated A.H. 1038. Seribe:- يير محمد ابن شين جلال الكاتب القنوجي.

A note on the fly-leaf at the beginning in the handwriting of the donor records the price of the MS, as Rs. 15.

No. 280.

foll. 139; lines 14; size 11×61 ; 7×4 .

ديوان ابو الفرج روني DÎWÂN-I-ABUL FARAJ RÛNÎ.

The lyrical poems of Maulana Abul Faraj bin Mas'ûd of Rûn, a village in Lahore موثنًا أبو الفرج بن مسعود الروني. He flourished during the reigns of Sultan Ibrahim Gaznawi (d. A.H. 492 — A.D. 1098) and Sultan Mas'ûd Gaznawi (d. A.H. 508 — A.D. 1114), to both of whom he addressed a large number of laudatory poems.

The diwan opens with a biographical sketch of the poet, beginning thus:-

حكيم أبو القرج از شعراى جليل الشان و از قصحابى عدب البيان السب النو .

Beginning of the diwan :-

عز و کوارنده پادشاه چهان را ناصر دین راعي زمین و زمان را

The usual beginning of the diwan is found on fol. 51°, as follows:—

بهر دولت و دين آفتاب هفت اقليم ابو العظف رشالا عظف و ابراهيم

The dîwân consists of two parts, of which the first contains Qaşidahs, a few Qit'ahs and a series of Rubâ'is, all arranged in alphabetical order; and the second, a large number of Gazals, intermixed with Qaşidahs and Qit'ahs, without any order, beginning thus on fol. 86:—

يا رب ابن مائيم و اين عدر رنيع مصطفى است

یا رب این مائیم و این فرق عزیز مجتبی است

Foll. 1376-1396 contain a series of alphabetically arranged Rubâ'is intermixed with those of 'Umar Khayyam (cf. Rieu ii...' p. 546a), beginning:—

مع برکف من قد که دام پرتاب است وین عمر گریز پلی چون سیماب است بشتاب که آنش جوانی آب است برخیز که بیداری دولت خواب است

Written in bold and fair Nasta'liq within gold and colouredruled borders, with three illuminated 'Unwans on foll. 1^b, 2^s and 86^b. Spaces for headings are left blank throughout the copy.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 281.

foll. 244; lines 21; size 81 × 4½; 52 × 2½.

حديقة الحقيقه

HADÎQAT-UL-HAQÎQAH.

The well-known poem on ethics by Sana'i', with his full name Abul Majd Majdūd bin Ādam Sana'i ul-Gaznawī ابو المجد مجدود, who died most probably in A.H. 545 — A.D. 1150. For the various conflicting statements of the dates of the poets' death and his works see Bankipur Lib, Cat, Nos. 17-22.

The poem is preceded by a preface of 'Ali Raqqam (or according to Haj. Khal. iii, p. 40, 'Ali Raffa) who calls himself a disciple

of Sana'i. The preface begins thus:-

التحدد لله الخبير بخفيات الضماير الحكيم الم

The poem begins thus on fol. 75:-

ای درون پسرور بسرون آرای ای خرد بخش بیخود بخشای

The poem is divided into ten chapters, fully enumerated in Ethé, Bodl. Lib. Cat. No. 528.

This copy breaks off with the chapter در قناعت و انزوای خود گوید. Written in clear Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with the headings in red.

Not dated, apparently 16th century, The MS, is slightly worm-eaten.

No. 282.

foll. 299; lines 17; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$, THE SAME.

Another copy of Sana'is Ḥadiqah without any preface.

Written in a clear Nasta'liq within gold-ruled borders.

Foll. 1-23, 171-187 and 196-202, written in clear Indian Nas-

ta'liq, are supplied in a later hand.

Spaces for headings are left blank on foll. 2°, 4°, 7°, 9°, 12°, 13°, 14°, 15°, 16°, 17°, 18°, 18°, 21°, 22°, 22° and 23°.

Additions and emendations are occasionally found on the margins,

Dated Rabi' I, A.H. 1033.

.محمد رضا مصرى -: Seribe

A seal bearing the following verse from Nizāmis Sikandar Nāmah, is found at the end:—

خرد را تو روش بصر کردا چراغ هدایت تو بر کردا

All the original folios have been mounted on new margins.

No. 283.

foll, 215; lines 19; size 121 x 717; 81 x 41.

لطايف الحقايق من نفايس الدقايق

LATA'IF-UL-HAQA'IQ MIN NAFA'IS-UD-DAQA'IQ

The well-known revised and collated edition of Sanā'ī's Ḥadī-qah with commentaries and explanations of the text, by 'Abd-ul-Laṭif bin 'Abd Ullah 'Abbāsi عبد الطيف بن عبد الله العباسي (d. A.H. 1048 or 1049 — A.D. 1638 or 1639). This is 'Abd-ul-Laṭif's larger commentary on the Ḥadiqah, and an abridgment of this composed

by him in A.H. 1044 — A.D. 1636, is described in Ethé, India Office Lib. Cat. No. 923. He began the work in A.H. 1040 — A.D.

1630, and finished it in A.H. 1042 - A.D. 1632

For full particulars see Bankipur Lib. Cat. Vol. I, pp. 25-29, where a valuable copy of this commentary is noticed. The present commentary is divided by the binder into two separate volumes. Vol. I contains three prefaces by 'Abd ul-Latif and one by Sana'i.

foll, 16.66. 'Abd-ul-Latif's first preface, called مراة العدائق written in A.H. 1038 — A D. 1628.

Beginning:-

این نو شگفته گلزاریست که درین هنگام همیشه بهار الع .

foll. 76-14a. The preface of Sana'i

Beginning :-

سپلس و ستایش مبدعی است که بسطی پاک النے . راسته خیابان Abd-ul-Latif's second preface called ، دراسته خیابان

Beginning:-

بر فاقدان بصير و صيرفيان خبير رسته باوار ملک صورت و معذوي الغ ه foll. 16-176 'Abd-ul-Latif's third preface called . گل سر حبد Beginning :-

چون پاکيزه ميوه باغ اصطفا و گرامي گوهو النه .

foll. 184-265. The contents of the Hadiqah.

fol. 27s. The versified index of the ten chapters into which the Hadiqah is divided.

fol, 275 begins the commentary :-

ای درون پروز و برون آرای النو .

This copy breaks off with the eatch-words ازان المالية المالي

No. 284.

foll. 220; lines and size same as above.

The second volume, or the continuation of the preceding copy, opening with the line:-

تا ازمن سايه مي هراسي تو دُر زخر مهرة چون شفاسي تو

The date of composition of the Hadiqah, given at the end of this copy, is A.H. 534.

Both the copies are written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq by one

scribe.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

Marginal notes and emendations are occasionally found in both the copies.

Nc. 285.

foll. 26; lines 15; size 11 × 6; 6 × 23.

كنوز الرموز

KUNUZ-UR-RUMUZ.

Another Maynawi by the same Sana'i which is also called

Beginning:-

مرحبا لى بويد سلطان وش لى تراتخت آب وتاج أنش

Foll, 16 and 20 are profusely illuminated,

Written in beautiful Nasta liq within gold-ruled borders. The headings on foll, 35 and 65 are written on gold ground. Spaces for headings are left blank throughout the copy.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

A fine copy.

No. 286.

foll. 169; pp. 337; lines 19; size 121×71; 81×4.

ديوان سنائي DIWÂN-I-SANÂ'Î

The lyrical poems of Sana'i with his preface, beginning thus:-

The diwan consists of Qaşadahs and Gazals (intermixed) arranged in alphabetical order (pp. 14-290), Fards or single verses without any order (pp. 290-291), and Rubā'is in alphabetical order (pp. 291-337).

Beginning of the diwan, p. 14:-

Written in a careless Indian Nasta'liq. Spaces are left blank in several places. Additions and emendations are found in several places.

Dated, Sunday the 20th of Asarh, 1299 (- A.H. 1310).

طالب الرحم مذكاكوتهي -: Scribe

No. 287.

foll, 85; lines 14; size 10] × 6]; 7×3].

ديوان معزى

DIWAN-I-MU'IZZI.

The lyrical poems of Amir Muḥammad bin 'Abd-ul-Malik poetically surnamed Mu'izzi, a native of Samarqand. He died in A.H. 542 — A.D. 1147.

Beginning :-

تا دل من در هوای نیکوان گشت آشفا در سرشک دیده کردانم چو مرد آشفا

The diwan consists of two sections, of which the first contains' Qaşidahs (foll, 15-54b) without any order. The second (foll, 55b-85b), containing a number of Gazals in alphabetical order, begins as in Sprenger, p. 501.

باز أمد و أورد خزان لشكو سرما الم .

Written in bold and fair Nasta'liq within gold and colouredruled borders, with two 'Unwans respectively on foll, 1^b and 55^b. Spaces for headings are left blank throughout.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 288.

foll. 19; lines 9; size $10 \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; 6×4 .

A yery beautiful copy of a metrical translation of the hundred sayings of 'Ali bin Abû Tâlib.

Beginning without any preface:-

بهترین هر کلام ای نور چشم مردمان هست نام خالق بسیار بخش مهربان

It seems to be identical with the مرحمة عد كالم "translation of the hundred sayings" by the celebrated poet Rashid-ud-Din Watwat (d. A.H. 578—A.D. 1182), noticed in Rieu, pp. 5535 and 7905.

The Arabic text is written in elegant gold and blue Naskh, followed by the translation written in beautiful minute Nasta'liq within floral designed space sprinkled with gold dust. Doublepage 'Unwan and beautifully illuminated head-piece, Thick,

creamy paper.

This copy, representing the best specimen of Arabic and Persian calligraphy, is of the penmanship of the famous scribe

Dated, A.H. 943.

The original folios have been mounted on new margins.

No. 289.

foll. 52; lines 9; size 71 × 41; 51 × 21.

نثر اللآلي NASR-UL-LA'ÄLÎ.

Another metrical translation of a similar collection of the sayings of 'Ali, by a poet who adopts the Takhallus Hasan (cf. fol. 526, ll. 4 and 7), arranged in alphabetical order.

Beginning:-

مومفافرا امير و سرور گفت .

An illuminated star in the head-piece contains the title of the work:—

فتواللالي متوجم منظوم .

meaning that it is a metrical translation of the نثر اللالي, i.e. sentences ascribed to 'Ali.

Written in beautiful minute Nasta'liq within gold and colouredruled borders, with an illuminated head-piece. The Arabic text is written in large Nasta'liq.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 290.

foll, 339; lines 19; size 91×5; 6×3.

ديوان انوري

DIWÂN-I-ANWARI.

The diwan of the great Persian Qasidah writer and astrologer Auhad-ud-Din Anwari أرحد الدين أنوري who at first adopted the

poetical title of Khāwarī, assumed from his birth-place Khāwarān, but subsequently changed it to Anwarī. He flourished under Sulţān Sanjar (d. A.H. 562 — A.D. 1166) and died A.H. 587 — A.D. 1191.

The diwan has been printed and lithographed respectively in Tabriz, A.H. 1260 and 1266; in Lucknow, 1880.

The present copy is slightly defective at the beginning and opens abruptly thus:-

Qaşîdahs, fol. 1⁵; Muqatta'at, fol. 178⁵; Gazals, fol. 271^a; Rubâ'is, fol. 335^a.

There is a lacuna after fol. 69. Spaces for headings are left blank throughout.

Written in fair Nasta'liq with additions and emendations. Dated, Jamadi I, A.H. 1012,

No. 291.

foll. 324; lines 17; size 6×4 ; 4×2 .

ديوان خاقاني DÎWÂN-I-K<u>H</u>ÂQÂNÎ.

A good copy of the lyrical poems of the celebrated poet Khā-qānī, with his full name Afdal-ud-Dîn Badil Ibrāhim bin 'Alī Najjār Khāqānī Shirwānī الشرائي الدبي بديل ابراهيم بي علي بخار خاتاني whose father was a carpenter and mother a nestorian Christian converted to Islām. He at first adopted the title of Haqā'iqī, which he subsequently changed to Khāqānī. He died, according to reliable sources, A.H. 595 — A.D. 1198.

Beginning:-

دل سن پير تعليم است و سن طفل زبان دانش

دم تعلیم سر عشر و سر زانو دبستانش

This diwan consists of Qasidahs (fol. 16); Tarji'-bands (fol. 2030), Marasi (fol. 249b); Qit'ahs (fol. 310b) and Ruba'is (fol. 3130).

Written in beautiful Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece. The headings are written in red. The first 98 folios contain marginal and interlinear notes.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

No. 292.

foll, 369; lines 13; size $12\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{2}$; $8 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

THE SAME.

Another copy of Khāqānis diwān, containing chiefly Qaşidahs. Beginning as usual:—

دل من پير تعليم است اليم .

The following subscription is found at the end of the copy:—

• عشم شهر بيان ديگر نهشه شه در جاد ديگر نهشه شهر اينجا

i.e. "from this place the contents are written in another volume."

Marginal and interlinear notes are found at the beginning
of the copy.

Written in careless Indian Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 293.

foll. 228; lines 15; size 10×61 ; 61×31 .

شرح ديوان خاقاني SHARḤ-I-DÎWÂN-I-KHÂQÂNÎ.

A commentary on the abstruse verses of Khāqānī, by Muḥam-mad bin Dā'ud bin Muḥammad 'Alawī Shādiābādī محمد بن دارد بن

The present commentary begins with a preface :-

جواهر زواهر سياس بيقياس نثار حضرت صديد الع .

Written in legible Nasta'liq. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 294.

foll. 29; lines 15; size 71×31; 51×21.

ديوان نظامي DĪWĀN-I-NIZĀMĪ

A collection of lyrical poems attributed to Nizami, with his full name Nizam-ud-Din Abu Muhammad Ilyas bin Yusuf bin Mu'ayyid ul-Ganjawi نظاء الدين ابو متعمد الياس بن يوسف بن مويّد He was born in A.H. 535 — A.D. 1140 and died, according to reliable authorities, A.H. 599 — A.D. 1202.

Beginning :-

هرکه از روی خرد روی به یزدان آرد

اطف يزدانش همي تحفة غفران دارد

The diwan consists chiefly of Qasidahs (foll, 16-12°) without any alphabetical order. The Gazals in alphabetical order begin thus on fol. 276:—

The MS., an incomplete one, is written in fair Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders. Folios have been misplaced in several places.

Several notes in the MS. say that this copy once belonged to Maulavi Muhammad Mazhar, son of Maulavi Gulâm Subhân Khân Bahâdur, Qâḍi-ul-Quḍât of Bengal, son of Maulavi Muhammad Wâjid, of Pandwah in Hugli.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 295.

foll. 385; lines 19; size $11\frac{1}{2} \times 7$; $7\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

خمسة نظامي

KHAMSAH-I-NIZÂMÎ.

A very interesting and valuable copy of the five poems of Nizāmi.

1. Makhzan-ul-Asrar.

A mystic poem, composed A.H. 572 or 573 — A.D. 1176 or 1177 and dedicated to Fakhr-ud-Din Bahram Shah (d. A.H. 622 — A.D. 1225), son of Da'ûd, king of Armenia and Rûm.

Beginning:-

Lithographed, Lucknow, 1869, 1872, and with a commentary, 1881; Cawnpur, 1869. Edited by H. Bland, London, 1844.

2. خصرور شيرين Khusrau wa Shirin. The loves of Khusrau and Shirin, composed A.H. 576 = A.D. 1180.

Beginning, fol. 33b :-

Lithographed at Lahore, A. H. 1288.

 ليلي رمجنون Layli wa Majnûn. A poem on the loves of Layli and Majnûn, composed A.H. 584 — A.D. 1188 and dedicated to Shirwân Shâh (d. A.H. 584).

Beginning, fol. 1126; -

Edited, Lucknow, 1870 and 1888.

4. عفت بيكر Haft Paykar, or "The Seven Stories" related by the seven favourites of the king, Bahram Gar, hence its other name تصل بهراء گور.

Beginning, fol. 173b :-

The poem was written for 'Alâ-ud-Dîn Karb Arstân, a descendant of Aqshanqar Aḥmadili. He was governor of Marâġah, where he was besieged in A.H. 602 — A.D. 1205. See Kâmil, Vol. XII, p. 156, and Vol. X. p. 483. It was completed 14th Ramaḍân, A.H. 593 — A.D. 1196.

Lithographed in Bombay 1849, and Lucknow A.H. 1290. One of the Seven Tales was published with a German translation by F. von Erdmann in his "Behramgur und die Russische Fuerstentochter," Kasan, 1844.

The poem is divided into two parts; the first part, called Sharaf Namah-i-Iskandari, or Iskandar Namah-i-Barri, treats of Alexander as a conqueror, and records his battles on land. The second part, entitled variously Khirad Namah-i-Iskandari, Iqbal Namah-i-Iskandari or Iskandar Namah-i-Bahri, describes the king as a prophet and philosopher, and relates his adventures at sea.

The first part, dedicated to Nusrat-ud-Dîn Abû Bakr (A.H. 587-607 = A.D. 1191-1210) and completed in A.H. 597 = A.D. 1200, begins thus on fol. 244b :--

The second part dedicated to Malik Qahir 'Izz-ud-Din Mas' ud (A.H. 607-615 = A.D. 1210-1218) begins thus on fol 335b:-

The first part of the Iskandar Namah was edited with a commentary in Calcutta, 1812, and reprinted in 1825. The text was printed in Calcutta, A.H. 1269, and lithographed with marginal notes in Lucknow, A.H. 1282, and in Bombay, 1277 and 1292. Extracts from the first part will be found in Franz von Erdmann's work "De Expeditione Russorum Berdaam versus," Casan, 1826, and in Charmoy's "Expédition d'Alexandre contre les Russes, 1829.

The whole of the first part has been translated into English by Captain H. W. Clarke, London, 1881.

The second part was edited, under the title of Sikandar Namah-i-Bahri, by Dr. Sprenger, Calcutta, 1852 and 1869.

This valuable copy is written in beautiful fine Nasta'liq within four gold and coloured borders with finely illuminated frontispieces and 'Unwans at the beginning of each poem. The headings are illuminated and written in blue throughout the copy. The following folios contain full page miniatures in the best Persian style:—1b, 2a, 15b, 32a, 48a, 70b, 87a, 124a, 137b, 150a, 167b, 200a, 207b, 211a, 215a, 219b, 226a, 231a, 260a, 277b, 294a, 297b, 343b, 356a, 369a, 384b and 385a.

Dated A.H. 941.

No. 296.

foll. 123; lines 9; size 81 × 41; 51 × 3.

مخون الاسوار MAKHZAN-UL-ASRAR.

Another copy of Nizami's Makhzan-ul-Asrar. The date of composition of the poem given here, fol. 1236, is A.H. 559 -A.D. 1163.

Beginning:-هست كليد در گفي حكيم بسم الله الرحمي الرحيم Written in large and legible Nasta'liq within red-ruled borders, with the headings in red. The first 34 folios contain copious notes and annotations.

Dated Bihar, 16 Rabi' I, A.H. 1041.

.عبد الواحد -: Scribe

No. 297.

foll, 63; lines 15; size $10\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

ديوان اثبر اخسيكتي

DİWAN-I-AŞİR AKHSİKATİ.

The lyrical poems of Maulânâ Aşîr-ud-Din of Akhsikat (on the river Jaxartis in Fargânah) مولانا اثير الدين اخسيكني, a disciple of Shaykh Najm-ud-Din Kubrâ (d. A.H. 618—A.D. 1221) and a panegyrist of Sultân Arslân bin Tugrul (A.H. 555-571 — A.D. 1160-1175) and Qizil Arslân (A.H. 581-587 — A.D. 1185-1194). Aşîr died in A.H. 608 — A D. 1211.

The diwan, consisting of Qaşidahs, Gazals and Qit'ahs, begins

thus:-

بداد خارن هامون همه ذخاير معدن نشاند دامن گردون همه جواهر كوكب

The folios are misplaced in many places and the proper order should be:—foll. 1b-21b, 26a-29b, 22a-25b, 30a-43b, 45a, 44a, 46a-62b.

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with illuminations at the beginning and end of the copy.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

No. 298.

foll. 40; lines 8; size 81 × 5; 61 × 4.

نصاب الصبيان NISĀB-US-SIBYĀN.

The well-known versified Arabic-Persian Vocabulary of Mulla Muḥammad Badr-ud-Dîn, better known as Abû Naṣr of Farâb in Sijistân مق مصمد بدر الدين المعروف به ابو نصر قارابي. He flourished in the reign of Bahrām Shâh, who began to rule in Sistân, A.H. 611 — A.D. 1215. Abû Naṣr was still alive in A.H. 617 — A.D. 1230, the year in which he completed the present work.

Beginning:-

همي گويد ابو نصر فراهي نصابم را بخوان گرعلم خواهي

The work consists of 220 bayts. The Arabic and Persian words used in the text are represented by the letters z for Arabic and if or Persian.

The work has been frequently published, once in Calcutta, 1819. Written in Nîm-Shikastah. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 299.

foll. 272; lines 11; size 7×5; 41×21.

مثنو يات مطار MAŞNAWÎYÂT-I-'AŢŢÂR.

A collection of the four Maşnawis of the celebrated mystic and profound Şûfi poet Abû Hâmid Muḥammad bin Abû Bakr Ibrāhîm Farid-ud-Dîn 'Aţţâr of Nishâpûr ابر حامد متعد بن ابریکر, who was born A.H. 513 = A.D. 1119, and was killed by the Muġals A.H. 627 = A.D. 1229. Contents:—

I. خياط نامه Khiyāṭ Nāmah, beginning on fol, 1b :--

بذام آدیمه هستی زو نشان یافت فوس ناطقه زو فور جان یافت

It is divided into ten chapters, نصل, enumerated by Sprenger, p. 356.

II. هفت رادي Haft Wådi, beginning on fol. 46b :—

حدد پاک او جان پاک آن پاک را کو خافت داد مشت خاک را

III. علت نامع Waşlat Nâmah, beginning on fol. 778 :-

ابتدا كردم بنام كردكار صانع هفت وشش وينبج وجهار

IV. جوهر الذات Jauhar-ud-Dat. This is only the first of the three daftars of the Jauhar-ud-Dat and is incomplete. Beginning, fol. 1546:—

بغام آنکه نور جسم و جانست خدای آشکارا و نهانست

The first three Masnawis (foll. 16-1530) are written in ordinary Nasta'liq, inclined towards Naskh, by مقرح, and are dated A.H.1203. The last, written in Ta'liq, breaks off with the verse

توهم در خورد خود میکواي اسرار که هرکس مي نباشد مود اين کار

No. 300.

foll. 800; lines 15; size 10×61; 7×4.

مثنويات عطار MAŞNAWİYÂT-I-'AŢŢÂR.

A collection of another Masnawis of 'Attar:-

I. گل خسرو, Gul Khusrau, beginning on fol. 16:-

بقام آنکه کنے جسم و جان ساخت طلسم گنے و جان هر دو جہان ساخت --: «Maxhar-ul-'Ajā'ib, beginning on fol. 293» مظہر العجائب . III آفرین جان آفرین بر جان جان وانکه هست او آشکارا و نہان --: «Asrār Nāmah, beginning on fol. 535» اسرار نامه . III بقام آنکه جائرا نور دین داد خرد را در خدا دائی یقین داد

This poem ends with a colophon where the title of the work is wrongly given as گل ر خسر.

IV. منطق الطير Mantiq-ut-Tayr, beginning on fol. 644b: أفرين جان أفرين ياك را أنكه جل بخشيد وإيمان خاك را

This poem, composed, according to Rieu, Supplt. No. 235, ii, A.H. 583 — A.D. 1187, is divided into thirty sections. Lithographed in Lucknow A.H. 1288, and Bombay A.H. 1280. Edited by Garcin de Tassy, Paris, 1857.

Written in Indian Nasta'liq with the headings in red. The

last Masnawi is written on blue papers.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

ماتم الدين-: Scribe

A seal of عيد احمد رقا dated A.H. 1251 is found at the beginning and end of the copy.

No. 301.

foll. 137; lines 16; size 74 × 41; 5 × 21.

منطق الطير MANTIQ-UT-TAYR.

A badly damaged copy of 'Attar's Mantiq-ut-Tayr.

Written in a careless Nim Shikastah with the headings in red.

Foll. 1-2, 8-9 and 129-137 are supplied in a later hand.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

The last folio contains a colophon dated Saturday, Jumâdâ II.

شيخ نور الله بوهاري A.H. . . . 44, by

No. 302.

foll. 301; lines 21; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$

مظهر العجائب MAZHAR-UL-'AJÂ'IB.

A copy of 'Attar's Mazhar-ul-'Aja'ib.

Written in fair Nasta'liq within ruled borders with an illuminated but faded frontispiece. The headings are written in red throughout the copy. Marginal notes are occasional. Foll. 279-295 are written in a later hand. The date of transcription, given in the colophon, has been erased by some mischievous hand, but apparently the copy was transcribed in the 18th century.

Foll. 1 and 295-301 are considerably damaged.

No. 303.

foll. 8; lines 13; size 8 × 41; 6 × 21.

يند نامه

PAND NÂMAH.

A slightly defective copy of the most popular of all the poems of 'Attar,

Beginning:-

The poem has been repeatedly printed in Calcutta, Lucknow, Lahore, Boulak and Constantinople. It was edited by J. H. Hindley, London, 1809, and translated into French by S. de Sacy, Paris, 1819, and into German by G. H. F. Nesselmann.

Written in good Indian Nasta'liq with the headings in red.

Spaces for headings are left blank in some places.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 304.

foll. 61; lines 15; size 12×71; 81×41.

ديوان كمال اصفهاني

DÎWÂN-I-KAMÂL-I-IŞFAHÂNÎ.

A small collection of the lyrical poems of Kamāl-ud-Din Ismā'il bin Jamāl-ud-Din Muḥammad bin 'Abd-ur-Razzāq ul-Isfahani الدين اساعيل بن جمال الدين محمد بن عبد الرزاق الصفهائي who gained the immortal fame of خلاق المعاني or the inventor of new senses or ideas, and fell in the general massacre of the inhabitants of Isfahan by the Mugals A.H. 635 = A.D. 1237.

This copy begins with the Gazals intermixed with a few

Qaşidah :-

Ruba'is, beginning on fol. 380.

The copy ends with a statement in prose, written in the same hand as the MS, itself, to the effect that when the poet fell in the general massacre of Işfahân, he wrote the following Rubâ'i on the wall with his blood:—

دل خون شد و شرط جانگداری این است

در مذهب او کمینه بازی این است

با این همه هم هیے نمی یارم گفت

شاید که ترا بنده نوازی این است

Written in fair Nasta'liq within gold-ruled borders with the headings in red.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

The MS, is worm-eaten and damaged towards the end.

No. 305.

foll, 321; lines 13; size 81 x 51; 6 x 31.

ديوان جلال الدين رومي DÎWÂN-I-JALÂL-UD-DÎN RÛMÎ

Usually styled Diwan-i-Shams-i-Tabriz.

who was born on the 6th of Rabi' I, A.H. 604 = A D. 1207, and died 10th Rajab, A.H. 712 = A D. 1312, wrote this diwan, in which he adopted the takhallus Shams after the name of his spiritual guide Shams-ud-Din Tabriz (died, according to Jami's Nafahat, p. 539, in A.H. 645 = A.D. 1247 and according to others in A.H. 660 = A.D. 1261). Maulana Rumi adopted the poetical titles of with a translation in German verse by V. von Rosenzweig, Vienna, 1838. An edition has been lithographed in Luckhow, 1878, with the title Diwan-i-Hadrat-i-Shams Tabriz.

Beginning with Gazals in alphabetical order :-

ای بگفته بر دام اسرارها ای برای بنده پخته کارها

Rubâ'is without any order, fol. 302s.

Written in Indian Nasta'liq. Spaces for headings are left blank.

The MS. was copied on the 24th Safar, A.H. 1140, the tenth year of Muḥammad Shāh's reign, at Thānah Rāngā Mātī, for one Khādim 'Alī Khān Thānahdār (whose name has been disfigured by some mischievous hand).

No. 306.

foll. 339; lines 14; size 10×6 ; 7; 4×4 .

THE SAME.

Another copy of Jalal-ud-Din Růmi's diwan, beginning as in Sprenger, p. 497:—

This copy consists of Qit'ahs, fol. 1^b; Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 24^a; Rubā'is fol. 316^b.

Written in ordinary Indian Nasta'liq within ruled borders

with the headings in red.

Dated Sunday, the 2nd Ramadan, A.H. 1265. The first twenty folios have a worm hole.

No. 307.

foll. 298; lines 95; size 111 × 71; 71 × 41.

مثنوي مولانا جلال الدين رومي THE MASNAWÎ OF JALÂL-UD-DÎN RÛMÎ.

The very popular Maşnawî of Maulânâ Jalâl-ud-Dîn Rûmî.

The Maşnawî representing the true inward meaning of the holy sayings of God and the Prophet, illustrated in the form of anecdotes, is esteemed as the standard text of the Şûfîs. It is divided into six daftars as follows:—

I. Beginning as usual :-

بشفواز نع چون حكايت ميكند وز جدائي ها شكايت ميكند

II. Beginning on fol. 476:-

مدتى اين مثنوي تاخيرشد مهلتى بايست تاخون شيرشد

III. Beginning on fol. 90°:-

الى ضياد الحق حسام الدين بيار اين سيم دفتر كه سذت شد سه بار

IV. Beginning on fol. 145b:-

لى ضياد العص حسام الدين تولَّى كه گذشت او مه بنورت مثنوى

V. Beginning on fol. 191a:-

شه حسام الدين كه نور النجم است طالب آغاز سفر پذجم است

VI. Beginning on fol. 244s:-

ای حیات دل حسام الدین بسی میال میجوشد بقسیم سادسی

Each daftar is preceded by a preface.

The text has been printed in Bombay A.H. 1262, 1266, 1273, 1280 and 1294; in Lucknow, A.H. 1282; in Tabriz, A.H. 1264; in Boulak, with a Turkish translation by Ismā'il Anqirawi, in A.H. 1251 and 1268; in Constantinople, A.H. 1289, and in Cawnpur in six volumes. An Arabic commentary, in six volumes, has been printed in Egypt, A.H. 1250, by Shaykh Yûsuf bin Ahmad. For commentaries on the Majnawî see Hâj. Khal., Vol. V, p. 375.

Written in minute and neat Nasta'liq within four gold-ruled columns with the headings in red.

Each daftar begins with a sumptuously illuminated doublepage 'Unwan and a head-piece. Two half-page illuminations are found on foll. 2435-2444.

Dated, on fol. 1895, A.H 1095. Scribe: معمد حسن شيرازي.

No. 308.

foll. 502; lines (centr. col.) 15, (margl. col.) 15; size 71 × 41; 6 × 3.

THE SAME.

Another copy of the same Masnawi. The six daftars begin respectively on foll. 1^b, 81^b, 151^b, 246^b, 320^b and 406^b. The preface to the first daftar is wanting.

Fol. 501, belonging to the poetical works of Sa'di, is wrongly inserted in the copy.

Written in minute Nasta'liq within gold-ruled columns with the headings in red. Each daftar contains an illuminated 'Unwân.

Dated Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1101.

. نصير الدين حيني -: Scribe

No. 309.

foll, 440; lines (centr. col.) 11, (margl. col.) 24; size 8×41; 6×31.

کلیات سعدي

KULLIYAT-I-SA'DI.

A complete collection of the prose and poetical works of the famous Shaykh Musharrif-ud-Din Muşlih bin 'Abd Ullah Sa'di Shirazi شيع مشرف الدين مصلح بن عبد الله سعدى الشيرازي who was born about A.H. 580 = A.D. 1184 and died A.H. 690 = A.D. 1291 or A.H. 691 = A.D. 1292.

The Kulliyât has been printed and lithographed in Calcutta, 1791-1795, by J. H. Harrington, in two volumes; in Bombay, A.H. 1226, 1267, 1280, etc; Dihli, A.H. 1269; Cawnpore, A.H. 1280; Lucknow, A.H. 1287; Tabriz, A.H. 1257 and 1264; Teheran, A.H.

1263 and 1268; etc.

The present copy of the Kulliyât begins with the preface of 'Alî bin Ahmad bin Abû Naşr bin Bisutûn, who collected and arranged the works of Sa'di in A.H. 726 — A.D. 1325, and subsequently improved the same in A.H. 734 — A.D. 1333.

Beginning:-

شكر وسپاس معبودى را جلت قدرته اليه .

I. رسالهٔ اول در تعربر دیباچه, beginning on fol. 3a:-

سپلس بى عدد و ستايش بى نهايت أفريد كاربرا جل جلاله .

ارسالة درم در مجلس پنجگانه .II. ورم در مجلس پنجگانه .II.
 الحمد لله الذي خلق الوجود من العدم •

It is divided into five majlises, which begin respectively on foll. 75, 95, 115, 13a and 15a.

III. رسالهٔ سوم در سوال صاحب دیوان beginning, fol. 484:-

صاهب علمب قران خواجة زمان فيكو سيرت و صورت النه .

الك وعشق beginning, fol. 496 رسالة چهارم در عقل و عشق .
 الك والا خدا بادشه ملك سخى •

الحدد لله الكاني حسب التخليق الن •
 الحدد لله الكاني حسب التخليق الن •

VI. The sixth Risålah, wrongly styled ساله ... در سوال صاحب ... وساله ... در سوال صاحب, begins on fol. 25^b (margin).

The usual three parts of this Risalah, into which it is divided, are as follows: (1) أوا الماني الماني الماني الماني الماني أوا (25%) on fol. 25%; (2) مدر حكايت الماني الدين تازيكو (3) on fol. 26%; and (3) ممكايت ملك شمس الدين تازيكو

VII. الستان Gulistan on foll. 28a-48b, 54a-102a, and 112a-113b.
For editions, translations and other particulars see other catalogues.

VIII. برستان Bûstân on foll. 1026-1116, 1144-1956. For particulars see other catalogues.

IX. قصايد فارسي. Persian Qaşidahs, beginning on fol. 1956 :--

شكرو سياس نعمت ومفت خدايرا .

X. مراثي or the Elegies, on fol. 2230, beginning:-

دل شكسته كه مرهم كند داكر بارش .

XI. قصايد عربي Arabic Qaşîdahs, fol. 2276, beginning:-

حست يعص (بجفني) المداغ لا تجري .

XII. ملمات, beginning on fol. 233b:-

وتتها یک دم بر أسودسي تذم النع .

XIII. ترجيعات, fol. 2386, beginning:-

الى سرو بلقد قامت دوست .

XIV. طيبات, on fol. 254b. It is preceded by Bisutûn's preface (fol. 244b-246a) with which the copy begins. The preface here is followed by a versified alphabetical index to the four collections of the poet's lyrical poems, viz. the Tayyibât or ornamented poems; the Badā'i' or ornate Gazals, the Khawâtîm or precious Gazals, and the Gazaliyât i-Qadîm or early Gazals.

The Tayyibat, arranged in alphabetical order, begin thus:-

اول دفتر بذام ايزد دانا الو .

ـــ: «XV. بدايع, alphabetically arranged, begin on fol. 343 بدايع. الحمد لله وب العالمين على .

-: « in alphabetical order, begin on fol. 368 بخواتيم .XVI بخواتيم .in alphabetical order, begin on fol. 368 سپاس و حمد بي پايلي خدا را الغ

XVII. غزليات قديم, in alphabetical order, beginning on fol. 3806:

با فراقت چند سازم برك تفهائيم نيست .

XVIII. منظمات, not in alphabetical order, beginning:-

نضواهي كز بزركان جور بيني .

XIX. ماهيد An ethical poem dedicated to Ṣāḥib-i-Diwān, preceded by a preface which begins thus:—

التصد لله على نعبته و ايده .

The poem itself begins thus, on fol. 409a:-

الها قادرا بروردكارا كريما منعما أمرزكارا

XX. خبيثات or obscene poems, beginning with a preface in Arabic, on fol. 4166.

The poem begins thus:-

آن شنيدي كه در بلاد شمال الني .

XXI. رباعیات, fol. 430b, beginning:—

دل ميرود و ديدة نمي بايد دوخت .

XXII. فرديات or detached verses, beginning on fol. 4396:—

گمان مبر که جهان اعتماد را شاید .

Written in beautiful minute Nasta'liq within gold and colouredruled borders with richly illuminated 'Unwans in the beginning of each section. The headings are written within gold ornamentations. An illumination at the beginning contains the names of all the works in the MS.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

No. 310.

foll. 154; lines 12; size 81×5 ; 41×2 .

بوستان BÛSTÂN.

An exceedingly valuable copy of Sa'dis Bûstân.

Beginning as usual:-

بغام خداوند جان أفرين الخ *

Written in the most elegant Persian Nasta'liq hand on thick gold-sprinkled papers of the best quality with an illuminated head-piece. The headings are written on gold grounds throughout the copy.

The last folio bears an old, but hoplessly faded, seal which some person, however, very boldly pretends to have deciphered

thus :-

محمد صالح القزويذي الذائذي ... خادم خاص بارگاه فلک پايگاه تاج بخش سلاطين زمين سلطان محمد غياث الدين بلبن ادام الله ملكه و سلطنته ه

In the above note the writer ventures to suggest that the seal belongs to one Muhammad Ṣālih Qazwīni, a favourite attendant of Sulṭān Muhammad Giyāṣ-ud-Dīn Balban, who, as we know, reigned from A.H. 664-686 — A.D. 1265-1287. Perhaps the author of the above note did not know that the Persian Nasta'liq handwriting in which this MS, is written was invented only in the 8th century A.H. Again the seribe of the copy Mahmūd Nishā-pūri معمود نيشابوري is a well-known calligrapher. He was a pupil of his maternal uncle Mullā 'Abdī, who was himself a pupil of the celebrated calligrapher Sulṭān 'Alī of Mashhad. Mahmud adopted the Takhalluṣ Mukhliṣ and was still alive in A.H. 957. It is therefore evident that this MS, was written about that time.

No. 311.

foll, 300; lines 15; size 82 × 52; 7 × 34.

ديوان سعدي DÎWÂN-I-SA'DÎ.

A large collection of Sa'di's lyrical poems consisting of Qaşidahs, Gazals, Qiţ'ahs and Rubâ'is without any order.

Beginning:

الحمد لله رب العالمين على الما ذرّ من نعمته عز اسمه و علا Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq. Dated Friday, 29th Jumádá I, A.H, 1141.

No. 312.

foll. 233; lines 9; size 15×81; 9×41.

گلستان

GULISTÂN.

A copy of Sa'di's Gulistân, written in bold but ordinary Nasta'liq on coloured papers, with a faded head-piece and double-page 'Unwân of modern taste and design. It contains a few coloured drawings of poor Indian style.

Dated A.H. 1160.

مرزا مصد على مومع رقم-: Scribe

The epithet مرض (أم after the scribe's name at once suggests that he was a calligrapher of no little distinction. It is to be noticed, however, that the copy is not free from many orthographical and clerical mistakes, while the hand-writing is so ordinary and void of calligraphic beauties, that one cannot attribute it to a scribe skilled in the art.

Several seals (partly faded) and predated notes (without the writers' names) are found at the beginning and end of the MS.

The author of the first note on the title-page says that he received the MS. from the library of Khân Khânân Bairam Khân Bahâdur, who, as is known to us, was the most distinguished general and prime minister of Akbar, and died in A.H. 968. This note is followed by a seal of a certain noble of Muḥammad Shâh's time (A.H. 1131-1161) whose name faintly reads as Another note on the same page says that the MS. was purchased for one hundred rupees at the time of the treaty between Muḥammad Shâh and Nâdir Shâh (this treaty was concluded in A.H. 1152). The third note is dated 25th Rajab A.H. 1155. The last note pretends to suggest that the MS. once belonged to the library of Shâh 'Âlam Bahâdur Shâh (A.H. 1119-1124).

The last page bears a seal and a note of Muhammad Shâh's time.

A fragment of a commentary on the first two or three pages of the work, ending abruptly with an explanation of the line and written in a minute Nim Shikastah, is found on the margins of foll. 26-4b.

Some folios at the beginning have been misplaced. The right order should be 1-2, 4, 3, 6, 5, 7.

No. 313.

foll. 104; lines 15; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 5$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

شكرستان SHAKARISTÂN.

A commentary on Sa'di's Gulistân, by Muḥammad Sa'id who, according to his own statement in the preface here, completed it in A.H. 1097 — A.D. 1685.

Beginning: -
النو النوان و نبایش بی پایان داوریرا سزا ست النو النوان و نبایش بی پایان داوریرا سزا ست النو

The copy is defective towards the end and the concluding lines in which, according to Rieu ii, p. 607, the date of completion, is given A.H. 1095, are wanting.

Written in careless Indian Nasta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 314.

foll. 110; lines 17; size 11 × 71; 81 × 51.

معادن الرضا MA'ÂDIN-UR-RIDÂ.

A commentary on the famous Haft Band or the Seven Stanzas of Maulânâ Kamâl ud-Dîn Hasan Kâṣhî (d. A.H. 710 = A D. 1310), who flourished during the time of Sultân Muḥammad Khudâ Bandah (A.H. 703-716 = A.D. 1303-1316), by one who designates himself, fol. 2b, simply as Asġar, احقر أصغر, which seems to be his poetic title or a part of his name. He wrote it by desire of one Nawwâb Hasan Ridâ Khân, and completed it in A.H. 1197 = A.D. 1782, for which year the title forms a chronogram: see fol. 110b. Beginning with a Preface:—

The original text is written in red. Fair Nasta'liq.
Not dated, apparently 19th century.
The name "Syed Safdar Nawab" appears on fol. 14.

No. 315.

foll. 524; lines (centre col.) 17; (margl. col.) 32; size $11 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

كليات خسور

KULLIYAT-I-KHUSRAU.

A. Centre-columns. A very large collection of Gazals, with some Rubâ'is at the end, gathered from all the diwâns of Yamin-ud-Din Abu'l Ḥasan Amir Khusrau يعيني الدين ابر التحسي امير خصري الدين ابر التحسي امير ألدين ابر التحسي امير ألدين ابر التحسي امير ألدين ابر التحسي امير ألدين ابر التحسي امير ألدين ابر التحسي امير ألدين ابر التحسي امير ألدين ابر التحسي امير ألدين ابر التحسي المير ألدين ابر التحسي المير ألدين ابر التحسي المير ألدين ابر التحسي المير ألدين ابر التحسي المير ألدين ابر التحسي المير ألدين المير ألدين ابر التحسي المير ألدين ابر التحسي المير ألدين ابر التحسيل المير ألدين ابر التحسيل المير ألدين ابر التحسيل المير ألدين ابر التحسيل المير ألدين ابر التحسيل المير ألدين ابر التحسيل المير ألدين ابر التحسيل المير ألدين ابر التحسيل المير ألدين ابر التحسيل المير ألدين ابر التحسيل المير ألدين ابر التحسيل المير ألدين ابر التحسيل المير ألدين ابر التحسيل المير ألدين ألدين المير ألدين ألدي

اى زخيال ما برون در تو خيال كى رحد الغ .

The first alphabetical Gazal begins thus on fol. 46:-

چه اقبالست این بارب که دولت داد رو ما وا النم .

Ruba'is, without any order, begin on fol. 5176:-

پاکست خدارند کریم اکبر.

It may be noticed here as remarkable that the arrangement in this copy exactly agrees with that of the copy noticed by Ethé, India Office Lib, Cat. No. 1188 (5).

B. Marginal-column. آئينگ اڪندري À'înah-i-Iskandarî, composed A.H. 699 — A.D. 1299 in imitation of Nizâmî's Iskandar Nâmah, forming the fifth (or more commonly the fourth) part of Khusrau's famous Khamsah. It is defective at the beginning and opens abruptly thus on fol. 29:—

كليدى د اى دولت (كار) ساز النم

Fol. 1255. قران السعدين Qirân-us-Sa'dayn, "the conjunction of the two lucky planets," i.e. the meeting of Sultân Mu'izz-ud-Dîn Kayqubâd of Dihlî (A.H. 686-689 — A.D. 1287-1290) with his father Sultân Nâşir-ud-Dîn Bugra Khân of Bangâlah in A.H. 688 — A.D. 1289 at Dihlî.

Beginning:-

حمد خداوقد سرايم فخست .

Lithographed, Lucknow, A.H. 1259, and edited with a commentary by Maulavi Qudrat Ahmad, Lucknow, A.H. 1261. For other commentaries see Sprenger, Oude Cat, p. 471.

styled دراراني كتاب خضر خاني Duwalrani Khidr Khan, variously styled دراراني كتاب خضر خاني Duwalrani Khidr Khan, variously بدراراني كتاب خضر خاني تصفح خضر خاني or even خضر خاني A poetical narrative of the love adventures of Khidr Khan, son of 'Ala ud-Din Muḥammad Shah Khilji (A.H. 695-715 — A.D. 1295-1315) and Duwal rani, the daughter of Ray Karn, the Rajah of Gujarat, dedicated to Sultan 'Ala-ud-Din, the father of the hero.

Beginning:-

سر نامه بقام آن خدارند .

Fol. 328b. A Nuh Sipihr or the nine spheres. A poetical description of the court of Qutb-ud-Dîn Mubărak Shâh Khilji (who was killed A.H. 720 or 721 — A.D. 1320 or 1321), and of certain events of his reign, composed in A.H. 718 — A.D. 1318.

Beginning:-

خدا را كذم برسر ذامته ياد النم .

Written in a fair Indian Nasta'llq within gold and colouredruled borders with an illuminated head-piece. Dated, Ramadan, A.H. 1030. A note at the end says that the copy was transcribed at Lahore. It is worm-eaten in many places. The last folio is badly damaged.

No. 316.

foll 297; lines 17; size 9 x 5\frac{3}{4}; 6 x 3\frac{1}{4}.

ديوان خسرو DÎWÂN-I-KHUSRAU.

An old and correct copy of Khusrau's diwan containing a collection of the minor lyrical poems, gathered, as is usual in the poet's works, from all his diwans. This collection, which is much smaller than the preceding one (A), begins likewise with the line الى زخيال ما برون الن

The first alphabetical Gazal (fol. 4a) begins here thus:-

بشكافت غم اين ريش جكر خوارة ما را النو .

Muqatta'at, beginning on fol. 277a:-

لى كه كار تو توبه و تقويست النم .

Rubā'is, fol. 2820, beginning:-

پاكست خداوند كريم اكبر الع .

Written in a beautiful learned Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece. The original folios are mounted on new margins. The copy is worm-eaten throughout.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

No. 317.

foll. 201; lines (centre col.) 17; (margl. col.) 34; size 8\(\frac{3}{4}\times 4\frac{3}{4}\); 7\(\frac{1}{4}\times 3\frac{1}{4}\).

خسة خسرد KHAMSAH-I-KHUSRAU.

A bad and defective copy of Khusrau's famous Khamsah. The first page begins with the romantic Masnawi شيرين رخصر Shîrîn wa Khusrau, which forms the second part of the poet's Khamsah and which he wrote, A.H. 698 — A.D. 1298, in imitation of Nizāmī's Khusrau wa Shīrīn.

Beginning:-

The first page is immediately followed by the مطلع الزوار Maţ-la'-ul-Anwar, which forms the first part of the Khamsah and which was written, A.H. 698 — A.D. 1298, in imitation of Nizami's Makhzan-ul-Asrar. This poem is defective at the beginning and opens abruptly on fol. 24 with the line خاک ری از بابت مردم بود الز

Foll. 1136. مجنون رليلي Majnûn wa Laylâ. The loves of Laylâ and Majnûn, in imitation of Nizâmî's Laylâ wa Majnûn. This poem forming the third part of the poet's Khamsah was, like the preceding two, completed in A.H. 698 — A.D. 1298.

Beginning :-

Printed in Calcutta, 1811, 1818 and A.H. 1244. In Lucknow, A.H. 1286; it is also published in Lumsden's Persian Selections (Calcutta, 1828).

Fol. 150b. هشت بهشت Hasht Bihisht, styled here مناب هذا المعالم المعا

Beginning:-

The concluding portion of this poem and the entire Maṣnawi entitled آئينگ اسکندي Â'inah-i-Iskandari, forming the fifth (or more commonly the fourth) part of the poet's Khamsah, and composed A.H. 699 — A.D. 1299, in imitation of Niẓāmi's Iskandar Nāmah, are wanting. The two smaller and very rare Maṣnawis and composed A.H. ومنطق العشاق and بمنطق العشاق منظق العشاق منظق العشاق ال

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq with the headings in red. Folios have been misplaced in many places and several are missing. Catch-words have very often been omitted or cut off. The right order of the folios seems to be 1, 51-113, 2-5, 7-13, 6, 14-50, 114-201.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 318.

*foll. 236; lines 25; size 101 × 7; 71 × 41.

كحفة المغر ووسط الحيات

TUHFAT-US-SIGR AND WASAT-UL-HAYAT.

I. Foll. 1-71. نحفة الصغر Tuhfat-uṣ-Sigr "The present of the early age." This is the first of the five diwâns of Khusrau. It was completed about A.H. 670 or 671 — A.D. 1272. It consists of Qaṣidahs, Qiṭ'ahs, Gazals, Maṣnawis and Rubâ'is. The first folio containing the beginning portion of the prose preface to this diwân is wanting, and the first line on fol. 2° opens with the words وخرد و بزاك و

The first Qasidah begins thus on fol. 36:-

II. Foll. 72-236. ربط الحيات Wasat-ul-Ḥayāt, or poems of middle life. This is the second diwân of the poet, completed about A.H. 685 — A.D. 1286. It consists of Qaşidahs, Tarjī'āt, Gazals, Maşnawîs and Rubâ'is.

Beginning with the usual prose preface:-

The first usual Qaşîdah (fol. 78a) begins thus:-

The third, the fourth and the fifth called respectively بِنَيْكُ نَقْيِهُ and نَهِاية الكمال are not found in this collection.

Written in fair Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece at the beginning of each diwan. Several gaps, spaces for which have been left blank, are found here and there in the MS. The copy is water-stained throughout and the earlier portion is very much affected. The first diwan is badly worm-eaten throughout. The MS. is separated from the original binding and is in a damaged condition.

Dated 4th Jumada, A.H. 1012.

.عبد التريم بن عبد الجليل صديقي -: Seribe

No. 319.

foll. 111; lines 20; size 91×51; 61×21.

سام نامه

SÂM NÂMAH.

A slightly defective copy of a poem, written in imitation of Firdausi's Shah Namah, and treating of the exploits of Sam, son of Nariman, and his love adventures with the Chinese princess Paridukht.

The MS, is defective at the beginning and opens abruptly

thus:-

منم بر سر تعنت گردان سپهر هم خشم جنگ است هم داد و مهر

The title of the work is not found in the text, but it is endorsed as علم نامه خاجر. The verse in Rieu's (Vol. II, p. 544) copy, containing the author's name Khwâjû, is not found in this copy. Khwâjû, as we know, is the name of a well-known poet, who died about A.H. 745 — A.D. 1344, and it is very doubtful if the poem is due to the authorship of the same Khwâjû, whose biographers make no mention of the Sâm Nâmah.

The story begins here with an account of Sam's setting out

on a hunting expedition, on fol. 16:-

and ends, like Rieu's copy, with an account of Sam's return from

Khawar to the court of Minuchihr.

Written in fair Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with a whole-page 'Unwan on fol. 1a. The headings are written in red throughout.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 320.

foll. 428; lines 17; size $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$.

کلیات ابن یس

KULLIYÂT-I-IBN-I-YAMÎN.

The poetical works of Amir Fakhr-ud-Din Maḥmūd bin Amir Yamin-ud-Din Muḥammad ul-Mustaufi ul-Faryūmadi, poetically known as Ibn i-Yamin المين فضر الدين محمود بن امير يمين الدين محمد المشوفي الفريومدي المنتخلص به ابن يمين

the Sarbadårs of Khuråsån (A.H. 737-783 — A.D. 1337-1381) and died, according to several authorities, A.H. 745 — A.D. 1344.

Beginning:-

ای دیده در شناختن حال کانتات باید که باشدت نظیمی از سر انات --: Contents

Qaşidahs, fol. 1b; Muqatta'ât, fol. 103b; chronograms, fol. 214a; Gazals, fol. 220b; Rubâ'is, fol. 343a; two Maşnawis, the first entitled رحالة كنز الحكت, on fol. 370b, and the second, styled رحالة كنز الحكت on fol. 380b; Qit'ahs, fol. 391a. The preface compiled by an anonymous author in A.H. 756 — A.D. 1355, found in other copies at the beginning of the diwân, is found here on fol. 424b.

Written in minute Nasta'liq with the headings in red. Fol.

324 should follow-fol. 303.

Copied by the order of Mirza Naşîr-ud-Dîn Muhammad by Muhammad Fāḍil, in Rajab, A.H. 1026. Two faint seals at the end. The MS. is slightly damaged.

No. 321.

foll. 110; lines 17; size 8×51 ; 6×31 .

ديوان سلمان DÎWÂN-I-SALMÂN.

The lyrical poems of Khwājah Jamāl-ud-Dīn Muḥammad Salmān bin Khwājah 'Alā-ud-Dīn Muḥammad, of Sāwah خولجه على السابي الدين محمد السابي بن خواجه علاء الدين محمد السابي who flourished under the İlkhānî rulers and died in A.H. 778 — A.D. 1376. For a discussion of the various dates assigned to the poet's death, see Bankipur Lib. Cat. i, No. 147, where the oldest known copy of the poet's Gazals is noticed.

This copy of the poet's diwan begins with a series of Tarji's thus:—

ما مریدان کوی خداریم سربسجد فرو نمی آریم

Gazals, arranged in alphabetical order, begin thus on fol. 85 :-

اگر حس تو بکشاید نقاب از چهرد دعوی را

Rubâ'is, fol. 101a; Mu'ammiyât, fol. 110a.

The copy breaks off in the middle of the Mu'ammiyat.

Some select poems are published in Bland's "Century of Persian Gazals," No. 4, and in Erdmann, Zeitschriften der D.M.G., XV, pp. 758-772.

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with illuminated 'Unwans on foll. 15 and 85.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

Fol. 2ª contains two seals of Wajid-ur-Rahman, dated A.H. 1274.

No. 322.

foll. 168; lines 15; size 81 × 5; 61 × 31.

قصايد سلمان

QASAID-I-SALMAN.

A collection of the Qaşidahs of Salman without alphabetical order.

Beginning:-

از تكبر اگرش طود بهم بر شدد است

عارضش باری ازین عارضه خوشتر شده است

Written in small Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with the headings written on gold-ground illuminated with floral designs. Two whole-page illuminated 'Unwans at the beginning.

Folios are inter-mixed with each other throughout the copy.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 323.

foll. 113; lines 15; size $10 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{1}{4} \times 3$.

فزليات سلمان

GAZALIYAT-I-SALMAN.

A collection of the Gazals of Salman, arranged in alphabetical order.

Beginning as in Bankipur Lib. copy No. 147:-

اگر حس تو بنشاید نقاب از چهراد دعوی را

بكل رضوان بر اندايد در فودوس اعلى را

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

The fly-leaf is covered with seals and 'And-didahs, the following of which are legible;—

Sers (1) A seal of Sayvid Kalim Ullah Khan, dated A.H. 1112.

(2) A seal of Sayyid Ahmad, dated A.H. 1165.

(3) A seal of Sayyid Murtada, dated A.H. 1223.

(4) A seal of Sayyid Asad 'Alî Khân Bahâdur, dated A.H. 1240.

No. 324.

foll. 155; lines 12; size 7 × 4; 41 × 21.

مهر ومثترى MIHR-WA-MUSHTARI

"The Sun and Jupiter." A romantic Masnawi by Shams-ud-Din Muhammad 'Assar of Tabriz التبريزي, محمد عصار التبريزي who flourished during the reign of the Ilqani Sovereign Sultan Shaykh Uways (A.H. 757-776 - A.D. 1356-1374), and died in A.H. 784 - A.D. 1382. The poem was completed in Shawwal, A.H. 778 - A.D. 1376.

Beginning:-

بفام بادشاه عالم عشق كه نامش هست نقش خاتم عشق

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with a double-page 'Unwan and an illuminated head-piece. The headings are written in red throughout the copy. The MS. is defective at the end.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

No. 325.

foll. 205; lines 14; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{3}{7}$; $5\frac{3}{7} \times 2\frac{3}{7}$.

ديوان حافظ

DÎWÂN-I-HÂFIZ.

A splendid copy of the lyrical poems of the celebrated Khwajah Shams-ud-Din Muhammad, with the popular takhallus Hafiz of Shiraz شمس الدين محمد حافظ الشيرازي, who died A.H. 791 = A.D. 1388. For a detailed account of the poet and his work see Bankipur Lib. Cat. Vol. I, pp. 231-274, where a very rare and interesting copy of the poet's diwan has been described under No. 151.

Text Editions.—Calcutta, Fort William, 1791; reprinted, 1826; text with Sûdis' Turkish Commentary was edited by Brockhaus in 1854; by Rozenzweig, with a German metrical translation, 3 volumes, 1858, 1863 and 1864; with commentary by Fath 'Ali, Calcutta, 1858; by Major S. H. Jarrett, Calcutta, 1881; Persian text with two Turkish Commentaries, Constantinople, 1870; Persian Commentary by Sadiq 'Ali, Lucknow, 1876 and 1886. Lithographed in Calcutta, 1826; Bombay 1828, 1841 and 1883, besides A.H. 1267 and 1277; Cawnpur, 1831; Bulak, A.H. 1250, 1256 and 1281; Constantinople, A.H. 1257; Tabriz, A.H. 1257 and 1274; Tehran, A.H. 1258; Mashhad, A.H. 1262; Dehli, A.H. 1269 and 1888; Lucknow, A.H. 1283, 1285, 1876, 1879 and 1883; Lahore 1888.

This copy, consisting chiefly of Gazals, arranged in alphabetical order, begins as usual thus:—

که عشق آسان نمود اول ولی افتاد مشکلها

Maşnawîs, fol. 192a; Muqatta'ât, fol. 197a; Rubâ'îs, fol. 204b. Written in fair Nasta'lîq on gold-sprinkled paper within gold and coloured-ruled borders with a profusely illuminated 'Unwân.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

Scribe: - sils.

The fly-leaf at the beginning bearing several 'Ard-didahs and seals is pasted over with paper.

No. 326.

foll. 144; lines 17; size 9½×5¾; 7½×3¾.

THE SAME.

Another copy of the same with the preface of Hafiz's friend Muḥammad Gulandam who collected the poet's diwan after his death.

Beginning:-

حمد بیصد و ثنای بیعد و سپاس بیقیاس ،

Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 4b; Maşnawis, fol. 139b; Muqatta'ât, fol. 141a; Rubâ'is, fol. 143a.

Written in fair Nasta'liq within red-ruled borders.

Dated Jumada II, A.H. 37 (probably 1137): The last folio bears a seal of one Lutf-ur-Rahman Husayni, dated A.H. 1216.

No. 327.

foll. 99; lines 14; size 9×5½; 5½×2½.

ديوان مغربي DÎWÂN-I-MAĞRIBÎ.

A good copy of the lyrical poems of Maulana Muhammad Shirin, better known as Magribi مولانا محمد شيرين مغربي مغربي, who was born at Nain in Isfahan and died at Tabriz, A.H. 809 — A.D. 1406.

Beginning:-

Gazals in alphabetical order, foll. 15-69a; Muqaṭṭaʿât, foll. 695-775; Tarkib-bands, foll. 775-95a; Rubāʿis, foll. 95a-99a.

Printed in Persia, A.H. 1280.

Written in beautiful Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with the headings in red and blue and a beautifully ornamented 'Unwan.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 328.

foll. 352; lines 19; size 171×12; 91×81.

خاور نامه KHAWAR NAMAH.

A very valuable and exceedingly interesting copy of the Khawar Namah, an epic poem in the measure and style of Firdausi's Shah Namah, relating the warlike deeds of 'Ali in battles fought with Qubad the king of Khawaran, and with other heathen kings, most of whom embraced Islam, by Shams-ud-Din Muḥammad bin Ḥusam-ud-Din, better known as Ibn-i-Ḥusam محمد بن حسام الدين العرب به ابن حسام الدين العرب به ابن حسام 830 = A.D. 1426, and died according to the best authorities in A.H. 875 = A.D. 1470.

Beginning:-

This valuable copy is written in a very beautiful bold Nasta'liq within four gold-ruled columns with a profusely illuminated 'Unwan. It contains 146 highly finished illustrations of the best Indian style. The headings are written in red throughout.

Not dated, apparently 17th century A.H. A note on the fly-leaf is dated A.H. 1231.

No. 329.

foll. 258; lines 19; size $12\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$. THE SAME.

Another copy of the Khawar Namah with a biographical notice of the author prefixed to the text by Maulawi Şadr-ud-Dîn, the donor of this collection, beginning:—

لحوال مصفف خاور نامه - مواذا شيع محمد ابن جمال الدين الع .

The text begins as usual on fol. 3s.

Written in ordinary Nasta liq with the headings in red. Additional verses written on the margins are found in several places. Slips containing verses are also found adjoined in several places.

Some folios are wanting at the end of the copy.

Not dated, apparently 19th century. A note on the fly-leaf runs thus:—

اول اسازهه سنه ۱۳۱۰ بنگله برای نقل کتاب هذا ذمه عبد الرحیم نموده شد .

No. 330.

foll. 143; lines 17; size $9 \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3$.

ديوان قاسم انوار DÎWÂN-I-QÂSIM ANWÂR.

The Diwan of Sayyid Mu'in-ud-Din 'Ali ut-Tabrizi, known as Qasim Anwar سيد معين الدين على التبريزي المنظلم به تام الوار born in A.H. 757 = A.D. 1356 at Sarab in Adarbaijan. He was a renowned saint as well as a poet of great eminence. He finally settled in Kharjird, in the district of Jam, where he died in Rabi' I, A.H. 837 = A.D. 1433.

Beginning as in most copies:-

من بينچارة سودا زدة سر كردانم كه بارجاف خدارند سخن چرن رانم Beginning of the Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 24:-

اى عبع سعادت زجبين تو هويدا الغ .

Muqatta'ât, Tarkib-bands, etc., with occasional Turkish verses, fol. 125^b; Maşnawis, fol. 126^b; Rubâ'is, fol. 139^a.

Written in fair small Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

The fly-leaf at the beginning bears a seal with the following inscription:- بود نور چشم محمد حسین.

No. 331.

foll. 24; lines 12; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5$; $5 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

حال نامه معروف به گوی و چوکان

HÂL NÂMAH, BETTER KNOWN AS GÙI WA CHAUGÂN.

An allegorical mystic Majnawi by Maulana 'Arifi Harawi مولانا عارفي هروي, who flourished under Shah Rukh (A.H. 807-850 — A.D. 1404-1447), and died A.H. 853 — A.D. 1449.

Beginning:

This beautiful and valuable MS., written in elegant Nasta'liq within gold-ruled borders with a richly illuminated 'Unwan, is due to the penmanship of the famous caligrapher Muhammad Hashim (of Qazwin, a pupil of Rashid-i-Daylami).

Dated, Dulqa'ad, A.H. 981.

The MS, contains a beautifully painted illustration on the fly-leaf.

No. 332.

foll. 193; lines 17; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

MISBÂH.

A mystical poem, in the metre and style of Maulana Rumi's Maşnawi, relating to Sufic doctrines, illustrated by numerous anecdotes of prophets, the Ashabs and other holy saints.

Beginning:-

The author of this poem, who, in a heading on the first page of a copy (dated A.H. 955) in the British Museum (Rieu's Persian Cat. p. 641), is called Rashid-ud-Din Muhammad ul-Asfarâ'inî رشيد الدين محمد السفرائذي, finished the composition A.H. 852 — A.D. 1448 (cf. fol. 1916).

Written in Indian Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders.

Spaces for headings are left blank throughout.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 333.

foll. 48; lines 11; size 9½×6; 5½×3.

ديوان شاهي DÎWÂN-I-SHÂHÎ.

A valuable and exceedingly beautiful copy of the lyrical poems of Amîr Shâhi امير شاهي with his original name Âqâ Malik bin Jamâl-ud-Dîn Fîrûzkûhî املك بن جمال الدين فيريز كرهي who, according to some biographers, was the nephew of Khwâjah 'Alî Muayyad (A.H. 766-783 — A.D. 1364-1381), the last prince of the noble and illustrious family of the Sarbadârs of Khurâsân. He was well skilled in caligraphy, painting and music, and died at Astarâbâd in A.H. 857 — A.D. 1454.

The diwan of Shahi has been lithographed in Constantinople,

A.H. 1288.

Beginning:-

بسوخت أنش عشق تو بيكفاه موا بدوخت فاوك چشمت بيك فكاه موا

Gazals in alphabetical order, fol, 16.

Qit'ahs, fol. 45s. Rubâ'is, fol. 45b.

Written in elegant Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled columns on gold-sprinkled papers with ornamentations and floral designs on every page. There are two whole-page but faded miniatures, one at the beginning and the other at the end of the copy. Illuminated head-piece.

The following note (on one of the fly-leaves at the beginning), dated 6th Dulhijjah, A.H. 1069, says that this MS. once belonged

to the library of Aurangzib :-

شاة ولايت يفاة

كتاب ديوان شاهي بخط نستعليق مصورة جلد روغني بابت هديه كردة حضور جمع كتابخانة عامرة پادشاه عالمايير سندر اقبال سليمان سربر خلد الله ملته و سلطانه شده . The piece of paper containing the above note is pasted at the

beginning of the copy.

In another note one Sayyid Muhammad ul-Husaynî, entitled Hâdiq, says that he got the MS. repaired by Shaykh Muzaffar Husayn, for Maulawi Sayyid Şadr-ud-Dîn Ahmad (the donor), on the 25th Rabî' I, A.H. 1312.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

No. 334.

foll, 24; lines 12; size 101 × 71; 51 × 3.

ديوان رياضي سرقندي

DÎWÂN-I-RIYADÎ SAMARQANDÎ.

A valuable copy of the somewhat rare diwan of Riyadi of Samarqand رياضي سرقندي, who died, according to Taqi Kashi, A H. 884 — A.D. 1479.

Beginning:-

منع او آندم که نقش گنید افلاک بست

نامة حيرت بدأل طاير ادراك بست

The Gazals, which form the chief contents of the diwan, are,

except the first one, arranged in alphabetical order,

Written in fine Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled columns with a richly illuminated 'Unwan. The original folios have been mounted on new margins.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 335.

foll. 358; lines 12; size 8 × 41; 5 × 21.

ديوان جامي DÎWÂN-I-JÂMÎ.

A collection of the lyrical poems of the celebrated Nûr-ud-Dîn 'Abd-ur-Raḥmān Jāmī bin Niṣām-ud-Dīn Aḥmad bin Shams-ud-Dīn Muḥammad ul-Dashtī ul-Iṣfahānī المربي عبد الرحمي عبد الرحمي الدين عبد الدشتي العقباني the last great classical poet of Persia, who was born in Kharjird, near Jām, on the 23rd of Sha'bān, A.H. 817 = 7th November, A.D. 1414, during the reign of Mirzā Shāh Rukh (A.H. 807-850 = A.D. 1404-1446),

and died in Herat on the 18th of Muharram, A.H. 898 - 9th November, A.D. 1492.

Beginning with a preface:-

This collection of the poems agrees with Part II of the first diwan: see Bankipur Lib Cat. ii, No. 180, viii; and begins likewise with panegyric, moral and religious Qasidahs:—

بسم الله الرحمس الرحيم اعظم اسماء عليم حكيم

Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 435; Qit'ahs, fol. 3435; Rubá'is,

A beautiful copy. Written in good Nasta'llq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with two whole-page profusely illuminated 'Unwans at the beginning and one on fol. 435. The headings are illuminated throughout the copy.

Dated Shawwal, A.H. 944.

مصد ابن حسين الكاتب: Scribe

A note at the end of the copy runs thus:-

دو صد روپیه ستگ جهانگیری بقبض نوربیگ خان در آمده تاریخ شعبان المعظم سفه ۱۲ جلوس شاهی ه

No. 336.

foll. 460; lines 13; size 81 × 43; 6×3,

THE SAME.

The First Part of the First Dîwân of Jâmî beginning as în Bankipûr Lib. Cat. No. 180, vii :—

The MS ends with the following Ruba'1:-

که در هــوس روی فکو آویزم که در سر زلف مشکیــو آویزم القصه ز هرچه رفگ و بوئی دارد از حسن تو فی الحال در آویزم

Written in clear Indian Nasta'liq. Seven verses on foll. 3495-350° have been struck out. A note at the end says that the copy was transcribed by order of Sayyid Sadr-ud-Din Ahmad, son of Sayyid Karim-ud Din Ahmad of Bühâr, in Bardawân, in Dulhijjah, A.H. 1285.

.سيد ارادنعلي البوهاري-: Scribe

No. 337.

foll. 193; lines 13; size 81×51 ; 6×3 .

THE SAME.

This collection of poems closely agrees with the First Part of the Second Diwan, noticed in Rosen, p. 239, and Bankipûr Lib. Cat, No. 180, ix, and begins likewise:—

Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 246; Qit'ahs, fol. 1766.

Written in clear Indian Nasta'liq.

Copied for Maulawi Sayyid Sadr-ud-Dîn Ahmad, the donor of this Library, by Mîr Irâdat 'Ali of Bûhâr on 20th Rabi' II. A.H. 1283.

No. 338.

foll. 81; lines 22; size 14×81; 81×41.

سلسلة الذهب

SILSILAT-UD-DAHAB

OB

"THE GOLDEN CHAIN."

A religious Masnawi in the metre of the Hadiqah of Sanā'i and the Haft Paykar of Nizāmi. It is the first of the Seven Masnawis (Haft Aurang) of Jāmi, and was composed in A.H. 890 — A.D. 1485.

It is divided into three Daftars or books as follows:— First Daftar, beginning on fol. 1^b:—

Second Daftar, beginning on fol. 48b:-

Third Daftar, beginning on fol. 68b:-

Written in beautiful minute Nasta'liq within four gold and coloured-ruled borders with profusely illuminated frontispieces at the beginning of each Daftar. The headings are written in red, throughout the copy.

Dated 11th Muharram, A.H. 977.

Scribe :- حلجي محمود شيرازي.--A note on the fly-leaf runs thus :--

سبع مثاني خمسة جامي ٧٧ نمبر و هو سبعه سياره به هفت مد روبيه سنه حضرت محمد امير تغلق صانه الله من سياته الفلق هو الحق هو الحق هو الحق هو الحق ه

The fly-leaf contains two partly-faded seals of one Ya'qùb Abul Qâsim, and one of a certain Dilâwar 'Ali of 'Alamgîr's time, dated A.H. 1167.

No. 339.

foll. 235; lines 15; size 81×5 ; 5×3 .

THE SAME.

Another copy of Jami's Silsilat-ud-Dahab agreeing exactly

with the preceding copy.

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with superscriptions in red and blue, and two whole-page 'Unwans at the beginning.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 340.

foll. 14; lines 22; size 14×81; 81×41.

سلامان و ابسال SALĀMĀN WA ABSĀL

An allegorical Maşnawî by Jâmî in the metre of 'Aţţâr's Mantiq-uṭ-Tayr and Rûmî's Maşnawî, dedicated to Ya'qûb Beg bin Hasan Beg of the White Sheep of the Âq-Quyûnlî Dynasty, who reigned from A.H. 883-896 — A.D. 1478-1490.

Beginning:-

اى بيادت تازة جال عاشقال زاب لطفت ترزمان عاشقال

The poem has been edited by F. Falconer, London, 1850.
Written in beautiful minute Nasta'liq within four gold and coloured-ruled borders with a profusely illuminated 'Unwan. Spaces for headings are left blank throughout the copy.

The fly-leaf bears a seal of Dilawar 'Ali of 'Alamgir's time,

dated A.H. 1167, followed by the following note:-

من عوازى الزمان خان دوران خان المخاطب بضان خانان في سقه تسع جلوس سلطان الاعظم خلد الله ملكه في دار المارة اكبر آباد .

No. 341.

foll. 34; lines 25; size 121×8; 91×51.

سلامان و ابعال و تحفق الاحرار

SALAMAN ABSAL WA TUHFAT-UL-AHRAR.

Another copy of the Salaman wa Absal with the third Masnawi of Jami's Haft Aurang, entitled Tuhfat-ul-Ahrar.

The Tuhfat-ul-Ahrar is a religious Masnawi in the metre of the Makhzan-ul-Asrar of Nizami, composed in A.H. 886 - A.D. 1481, and named after Khwajah Nasir-ud-Din 'Ubayd Ullah Ahrari, better known as Khwajah Ahrar, (d. A.H. 895 - A.D. 1489), the founder of the Naqshbandiyah order. It begins here on fel. 15b :-

Edited by F. Falconer, London, 1848.

Written in beautiful Nasta'liq within four gold and colouredruled columns with beautifully illuminated head-pieces on fol. 16 and 15b.

Not dated, apparently, beginning of the 17th century. Scribe:-مير صالر.

No. 342.

foll, 22; lines 22; size I4×81; 84×41.

THE SAME.

Another copy of Jami's Tuhfat-ul-Ahrar, agreeing exactly with the preceding copy.

Written in beautiful minute Nasta'liq within four gold and coloured-ruled borders with a profusely illuminated 'Unwan. The headings are written in red throughout the copy.

Dated A.H. 977.

. حاجي مصود بن شيس الدين مصد-: Scribe

The fly-leaf contains the seal of Dilawar 'Ali of 'Alamgir's time, dated A.H. 1167, followed by the same note as in the copy of Salaman wa Absal, No. 340.

No. 343.

foll, 36; lines 22; size 14×81; 81×41.

مبعة الابرار SUBHAT-UL-ABRÂR.

A religious Maşnawî by the same Jâmî in the metre of Khusrau's Nuh-Sipihr, and dedicated to Sultân Ḥusayn. The poem begins with a short prose preface, which is introduced by a Rubâ'î, beginning:—

المنَّةُ لله كه بخون كرخفتم

The poem has been printed in Calcutta, 1811 and 1848, and

lithographed in 1888.

Written by the same scribe and in the same hand as the preceding copy with the same seal of Dilâwar 'Ali on the fly-leaf, followed by the note:—

Spaces for headings are left blank on foll. 25-36,

No. 344.

foll. 119; lines 13; size $9 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; 5×3 .

THE SAME.

Another copy of Jami's Subhat-ul-Abrar agreeing exactly

with the preceding copy.

Written in beautiful Nasta'liq within gold-ruled borders on gold-sprinkled papers with the headings in red. Four whole-page 'Unwans at the beginning:—

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

The last folio contains three faded seals.

The original folios are mounted on floral-designed margins.

No. 345.

foll, 48; lines 22; size 14×81; 81×41.

يوسف وزليخا YÛSUF WA ZULAYKHÂ

The most popular romantic poem of Jami in the metre of Nizaml's Khusrau wa Shirin, representing the story of Joseph in Chapter XII of the Quran. For full particulars of the work see Bankipur Lib. Cat. No. 196, where a most valuable copy of the work, presented to the Emperor Jahangir by 'Abd-ur-Rahim Khan Khanan, is noticed.

It was composed in A.H. 888 - A.D. 1483 and begins as usual

thus :-

The poem has been printed with German Translation at Vienna by Rosenzweigh, 1824 Text printed in Calcutta, 1809, A.H. 1244 and 1265; lithographed in Calcutta, 1818; Bombay, 1829 and 1860; Lucknow, A.H. 1262 and A.D. 1879; in Persia, A.H. 1279; in Tabriz, A.H. 1284, etc.

Written in beautiful minute Nasta'liq within four gold and

coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated 'Unwan

The headings are written in red. The fly-leaf contains a seal of Dilawar 'Ali of 'Alamgir's time, dated A.H. 1167.

Not dated, apparently 16th century.

No. 346.

foll. 157; lines 13; size 81×51; 51×3.

THE SAME.

Another copy of Jami's Yûsuf wa Zulaykhâ.

Written in fair Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated but faded head-piece. The headings are written in red throughout,

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

The MS., slightly defective towards the end, is in a damaged condition.

No. 347.

foll, 46; lines 22; size 14×81; 81×41.

ليلي ومجنون LAYLÎ WA MAJNÛN.

Another romantic poem by Jami on the loves of Layli and Majnun in the metre of Nizami's poem of the same style.

Beginning:-

لى خاك تو تاج سربلندان مجنون تو عقل هوشمندان

Written in beautiful minute Nasta'liq within four gold and coloured-ruled borders with a beautifully illuminated head-piece.

Dated, Dulqa'd, A.H. 977.

. حاجي محمود -: Scribe

This copy also contains the seal of Dilawar 'Ali, followed by the usual note.

No. 348.

foll. 27; lines 22; size 14×81; 81×41.

خرد نامة اسكندري

KHIRAD NAMAH-I-ISKANDARI.

An ethical Majnawi by the same Jâmi, in the metre of Firdausi's Shâh Nāmah, dedicated to Sultân Husayn.

Beginning:-

البي كمال البي تراست جنال جهان يادشاهي تراست

Written by the scribe of the preceding copy. Spaces for headings are left blank throughout.

Dated A.H. 977.

The same seal and note of the preceding copy are found here on the last page.

No. 349.

foll. 68; lines 15; size 9×51; 51×21.

امتقاد نامه و تحفة الاحوار

I'TIQÂD NÂMAH AND TUḤFAT-UL-AḤRĀR.

1. I'tiqad Namah, also styled عقابد جامي, a theosophical Maşnawî, being an exposition of the Muhammadan creed.

Beginning:-

بعد حمد خدا و نعت رسول بشنو این نکته را بسمع قبول

Tuhfat-ul-Ahrâr (foll. 11-68): see Nos. 341 and 342.
 Written in good Nasta'liq within gold-ruled borders, with illuminated 'Unwans on foll. 15 and 115. The headings are written in red.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 350.

foll. 62; lines 15; size 10 x 6; 6 x 21.

فتوح الحرمين

FUTUH-UL-HARAMAYN.

A Masnawi poem containing an account of the holy places of religious performance in Mecca and Medina, and of the rites observed in the pilgrimage, by Muhyi Lari معتنى الزي who composed it, according to the copy of the poem noticed in G. Flügel, ii, p. 122, in A.H. 911 — A D. 1505, and died, according to Taqi Kāshi, Oude Cat., p. 21, in A.H. 933 — A.D. 1526.

Beginning:-

The contents of this copy agree with those of the Bankipur

Lib. copy No. 227.

The Futûh-ul-Haramayn has been wrongly ascribed by Sprenger, p. 451; Stewart, p. 66, and several others, to Jâmî; and also to the holy saint Muhyi-ud-Dîn 'Abd-ul-Qâdir of Jîlân (d. A.H. 561 — A.D. 1165). For particulars see Bankipur Lib. Cat. No. 226.

This interesting copy is written in fair Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated 'Unwan and the headings in red. It contains beautifully painted drawings representing the Haram, mosques, wells, mountains, and the tombs of the descendants and relatives of the prophet. They are on foll. 12^b, 23^b, 24^a, 24^b, 27^a, 28^b, 29^a, 33^a, 34^b, 36^a, 42^a, 44^a, 46^b, 47^a, 47^b, 48^a and 62^a.

Copied in Medina, Rabi' I, A.H. 964 (see fol. 514).

From the following note on the fly-leaf we learn that the copy once belonged to the library of the Khan Khanan Bayram Khan, the famous general of Akbar's time:—

The above note is followed by a seal of 'Ali Muzaffar Khan, dated A.H. 1133. The original folios are mounted on new margins.

No. 351.

foll. 80; lines 15; size 9 × 6; 61 × 4.

ديوان أعفى

DÎWÂN-I-ÂSAFÎ

A collection of the lyrical poems of Asafi, son of Khwajah خواجه آصفی بن خواجه Muqim-ud-Din Ni'mat Ullah of Quhistan . He was a pupil of the famous Jâmî, مقيم الدين نعمت الله قهمناني and a personal friend of Mir 'Ali Shir Nawa'i, and died, according to the best authorities, in A.H. 923 = A.D. 1517.

This diwan consists of Gazals in alphabetical order.

Beginning:-

ساز آباد خدایا دل ویرانی را یا مده مهربتان هیچ مسلمانی را

Written in careless Nasta'liq. The colophon says that the MS. was copied by one Shukr Ullah, son of Shaykh Fath Ullah Siddiqt, at the Diwan-khanah of Chaudhri Rafi'-ud-Din.

Dated Sunday, the 10th of Chayt, 1196 Bengali. The MS. is

damaged.

Interlinear and marginal notes are found here and there in the copy.

No. 352.

foll. 179; lines 10; size 71×4; 11×21.

ديوان فغاني DÌWAN-I-FIGANÎ.

بابا فغانى شيرازى The lyrical poems of Baba Figani of Shîraz who at first adopted the takhallus of Sakkaki, and subsequently changed it to Figani. He died in A.H. 925 - A.D. 1519. For full particulars see Bankipur Lib. Cat. Nos. 217 and 218.

Beginning with Gazals in alphabetical order :-

لى سر قامة قام تو عقل گوة كشاي را فكرتو مطلع غزل عشق سطى سراي را

Rubā'is fol. 156a; Mustazāds, fol. 158a; single verses, fol.

158°; Qaşidahs, fol. 165°, and Tarkib-bands, fol. 167°.

Written in minute Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece and two whole-page 'Unwans at the beginning. The headings, written in white, are beautifully illuminated. The fly-leaves at the beginning and end contain several 'Ard-didahs and faded seals.

Not dated, apparently 16th century. The original folios are mounted on new margins.

No. 353.

foll. 145; lines 14; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{3}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{2}$.

تيمور نامه TÎMÛR NÂMAH.

A versified account of the warlike exploits of Timur in imitation of Niṣāmi's Sikandar Nāmah, by 'Abd Ullah Hātifi عبد الله هانغي, who was the sister's son of the celebrated Jāmi, and, like his uncle, was born in Khirjird in the province of Jām. He died in Muharram, A.H. 927—A.D. 1521.

Beginning:-

بفام خدائی که فکر و خود نیارد که در کفه او پی برد

The poem is also called عَفْرُ نَامِع , under which title it has been lithographed in Lucknow, A.D. 1869.

Written in fair Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders, with the headings in red written in a different hand.

Dated A.H. 968

The fly-leaf contains a defective note, dated A.H. 1059. The original folios are placed in new margins. The MS. is damaged towards the end.

No. 354.

foll, 200; lines 12; size 82 × 42; 6 × 21.

THE SAME.

Another copy of Hatifi's Timur Namah, written in bold Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated but faded head piece. The headings are written in red throughout the copy.

Dated, Safar, A.H. 970.

No. 355.

foll. 61; lines 14; size 7\(\frac{1}{4} \times 4\(\frac{1}{2}\); 4\times 2\(\frac{1}{2}\).

ب هفت منظر HAFT MANZAR.

Another Maşnawî by Hatifi in imitation of Nizamî's Haft Paykar. Beginning:-

اى تكارندا معيفة غيب

Written in careless Nasta'liq. Spaces for headings have been left blank.

Dated Friday, the 16th of Sha'ban, A.H. 1024.

The MS. is worm-eaten and damaged.

No. 356.

foll, 57; lines 15; size 10×6; 7×41.

ديوان اهلى خواساني

DÎWÂN-I-AHLÎ KHURÂSÂNÎ.

A very rare copy of the lyrical poems of Ahlî Khurâsânî a native of Tarshiz, who lived in Herat and died, according to Sprenger, Oude Catalogue, p. 319, in A.H. 934 — A.D. 1527. He must not be con ounded with his contemporary namesake Ahlî Shîrâzî mentioned in the following No. 358.

Beginning:-

برفلک هرشب رسانم برق آه خویش را

تا بسوزم کوکب بعثت سیاد خویش را

The diwan consists chiefly of Gazals arranged in alphabetical order.

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq within red-ruled borders.

The poet's nom-de-plume is written in red throughout the copy.

Not dated, apparently 19th century

No. 357.

foll. 102; lines 21; size 71×41; 51×3.

مثنويات جالي MAŞNAWIYÂT-I-JAMÂLÎ.

A very rare work, containing five ethical and mystical Maşnawîs intermixed with prose, by Jamalî, who seems to be identical with Hamid bin Fadl Ullah, known as Darwish (or Mulla) Jamalî of Delhi, with his original name Jalal Khan. He at first adopted the Takhalluş Jalalî, which he subsequently changed to Jamalî, He distinguished himself during the reign of Sultan Sikandar Lodî, and subsequently gained the favour of Babur and Humayûn. According to Sprenger, p. 446, he died in A.H. 922 or 925 - A.D. 1516 or 1519, but according to others in A.H. 942 - A.D. 1535.

Sometimes the poet quotes some verses of the Qur'an, some traditions, or other sentences of ethical and moral character, which he explains in Persian, and then illustrates by legends in Maşnavîs. He generally quotes Sanâ'i, 'Aṭṭâr, Rûmî, 'Irâqî and other mystics.

I. میکشد هر روز تیغی آنتاب تا برد در بردا خود ماهتاب Mihr-ul-Qulûb, beginning as in Sprenger, loc. cit.:

The name of the poet and the title of the poem occur in the concluding line:—

لی جمالی شرح این مهر القلوب رو نهان کن خوش دران پرده عیوب

II. فرصت قامع Furşat Nâmah, beginning with a short prose preface :—

The poem begins thus on fol. 65:-

بيا فرصت شعار اين زندكاني بحينك آور حيات جاوداني

III. نصرت نامم Nusrat Nāmah, beginning with a short prose preface, fol. 116:—

يسم الله الرحمي الرحيم نصر من الله و فتح قريب و بشر المومنين الغ • The poem begins thus:-

سعر که شنیدم ندای غریب که بربود خوش کوی نصرت حبیب

IV. مَرْتِ نَامِع Qudrat Nāmah, beginning like the preceding two Maşnawis with a short prose preface, fol. 246:—

بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم - الى برادر اكر مي خواهي كه زنده دل شوي الغ •

The poem begins thus:-

بيا چشم بكشا در ايوان دل ببيس بامحبت تو سلطان دل

V. معبرب الصديثيي Mahbûb-uş-Şiddiqin, beginning without any preface, fol. 386:—

روز از فور عشق شد خرم ظلمت شب دريد جامة غم

A profusely illuminated head-piece is found at the beginning of each Magnawi.

Written in a beautiful small Nasta'liq within four gold-ruled

and coloured columns.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

A seal of one Muhammad Ibrāhîm, dated A.H. 1297, is found at the end.

No. 358.

foll. 343; lines (centre col.) 19; (margl. col.) 11; size 9½ × 5½; 6½ × 3½.

كليات اهلي فيرازي KULLIYAT-I-AHLI SHÎRAZÎ.

A collection of some of the poetical works of Maulana Ahli Shîrazi مولانا اهلي شيرازي. He was an accomplished scholar, and possessed wonderful ingenuity in the artifices of versification. He died in his native town, A.H. 942 — A.D. 1535, and was buried in Muşalla by the side of Ḥāfiz. Contents:—

I. سعر حلال Siḥr-i-Ḥalāl or "Lawful Sorcery," dealing with

the love story of Prince Jam and Princess Gul.

In this wonderful Maṣṇawî the poet has united the artifices of metre and the playing upon words found separately in Kâtibî's (d. A.H. 838 = A.D. 1434) two poems, Majma'-ul-Baḥrayn and Tajnisāt—that is to say, this poem can be read in two different metres, viz. مغتمل مغتمل فاعلن فاعلن فاعلن فاعلن فاعلن مغتمل مغتمل مغتمل معتمل فاعلن فاعلن فاعلن فاعلن فاعلن with different meanings.

Beginning after the usual preface:-

II. شعر برانة Sham'-wa-Parwânah or "the Candle and the Moth," composed A.H. 894—A.D. 1488, and dedicated to Sultân Ya'qûb Aq-Quyûnlû (A.H. 884-896—A.D. 1479-1490), beginning, fol. 13a:—

بنام آنکه مارا از عنایت دهد ورانهٔ شمع هدایت III. Qaşidahs, beginning, fol. 330:--

الهي بسر دفتر حكمت الله بني آدم آئينظ تدرت الله

IV. Mukhammasat and Muqatta'at, beginning on fol. 87a:-

این همه خشم آو ای عاشق کش بیباک چیست

دل زخشمت چاک شداین زهر بی نریاک چیست

V. Gazals, arranged in alphabetical order, beginning on fol. 98:—

ای حیرت عفات تو بندد زبان ما انگشت حیرتست زبان در دهان ما

VI. اتى نامد. A series of Ruba'is arranged alphabetically, beginning with a short prose preface, beginning, fol. 2926:—

بعد از حدد و ثقابی جلی آفرین و درود بر روان سید المرسلین الن .

The first Ruba'i begins thus :-

ساقی قدیمی که کار ساز است خدا و رحمت خود بغده نواز است خدا

VII. مَاعِيَاتُ كَنْجِنَا. Another series of Rubâ'îs describing the various cards of the game, written for a pack of cards for a royal personage, beginning with a short prose preface, fol. 2985:—

بسم الله تيمناً بذارة الاعلى يوشيدة نماند بر ارباب صورت النم .

Beginning of the first Rubá'i:-

اى سروسهى خاك رهت وقت خرام النو .

VIII. or Miscellaneous poems, consisting of a series of Ruba'is and single verses, fol. 3040.

Written in good Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders.

A note, dated 15th Dul Hijjah, A.H. 1175, and several other notes of little importance are found on the fly-leaf of the copy.

Dated on the last page (bound upside down), 14th Shawwal,

A.H. 1047.

Scribe: -- -----

The MS, is slightly damaged.

No 359.

foll. 362; lines (centre col.) 18; (margl.) 14; size 112 × 62; 7 × 32.

THE SAME.

A valuable copy of Ahli Shirazi's Kulliyat with the same contents and arrangement as in the preceding copy, in addition to which there are three highly artificial Qasidahs towards the end, composed in honour of Mir 'Ali Shîr, Sultan Ya'qub and Shâh Ismâ'ii Bahâdur respectively

The first artificial Qasidah begins thus on fol 316b:-

The chief subtleties in it are that all the words in each oftwo bayts, or in each of three bayts, written in red ink, if connected, form a new bayt of a different metre and different trope; for instance, from the above two bayts we get the following :-

The second artificial Qaşidah in praise of Sultan Ya'qûb begins on fol. 331b; and the third in praise of Shah Isma'il, on fol. 347b. Each of these three Qasidahs is preceded by a short prose preface.

This MS., though slightly defective and wanting a folio at the beginning, is valuable. Each section begins with a profusely illuminated Unwan and beautiful ornamentations. Written in beautiful Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with the headings in red. It was copied by the order of Khwajah Lutf Ullah for Khwajah 'Abd-ul-Karim.

Three scals, two of which are dated 1213 and 1289, are found on fol. 3626.

No 360.

foll. 31; lines 16; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5$; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3$.

Another copy containing the first and third artificial Qaşidahs of Ahli. It begins with the third Qaşidah (foll. 16-17a), after which comes the first (foll. 182-314). Each Qaşidah begins with the usual preface.

Written in fair Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated frontispiece at the beginning of each section.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 361.

foll. 31; lines 15; size 101 × 61; 7×4.

ديوان شرف جهان DÎWÂN-I-SHARAF-I-JAHÂN.

A collection of the lyrical poems of Mirzā Sharaf bin Qāḍī Jahān bin Sayyid Sayf-ud-Dîn ul-Ḥusaynī ul-Qazwīnl, better known as Sharaf-i-Jahān مرزا شرف بن قاضي جهان بن سيد سيف العرزف به شرف جهان , who was born in Qazwīn A.H. 902 — A.D. 1496, and died A.H. 968 — A.D. 1560; comp. Bankipur Lib. Cat. Nos. 238 and 239, where two very good copies of the diwân are noticed.

The present copy consists chiefly of Gazals arranged in alphabetical order.

Beginning:-

The MS, ends with a few Qit'ahs and seven Ruba'is.

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders, with the headings in red.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 362.

foll. 127; lines (centre col.) 14; (margl. col.) 23; size 9×6; 8½×4½.

ديوان رهائي DÎWÂN-I-RAHÂ'Î.

The lyrical poems of Shaykh Sa'd-ud-Dîn Rahâ'i of Khawâf مثين معد الدين رهائي الخراني, a descendant of the well-known saint Shaykh Zayn-ud-Dîn Khawâfî. He came to India under Akbar, and was still alive A.H. 983 — A.D. 1575.

The present copy is defective, there being two folios wanting at the beginning. It opens abruptly in the middle of a Maşnawî thus:—

را که (؟) نماید چومه ابروی خویش میکشدت همچو کمان سوی خویش -: Contents of the central col

Qaşidahs, fol. 4b; Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 37b; Tarjî'ât, fol. 105a; Qit'ahs, fol. 115a; Rubâ'îs, fol. 117a; Mu'ammiyât and chronograms, fol. 126b.

The marginal column of the copy contains also a collection of poems consisting of Qasidahs, fol. 3a; Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 376; Rubá'is, fol. 111a.

Written in good clear Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled

borders with an illuminated 'Unwan on fol. 37b.

Not dated, apparently 18th century A.H.

A seal of Shaykh Yar Muhammad, dated A.H. 1242 is found on foll, 3a, 37a and 127b.

No. 363.

foll. 83; lines 23; size 9 × 5; 7 × 31.

ديوان محتشم DIWAN-I-MUHTASHAM.

The lyrical poems of Maulana Muhtasham of Kashan, Glorian the teacher and friend of the well-known Tadkirahwriter, Taqi Kashi (d. c. A.H. 1016 = A.D. 1607), who collected and prepared the poet's diwan (see Rieu. ii, p. 665). Muhtasham died, according to the best authorities, in A.H. 996 - A D. 1587.

Beginning with Gazals in alphabetical order:-

Qaşidahs not arranged in order, begin on fol. 690.

Elegy on the martyrdom of Imam Husayn, begins thus on fol. 81a:-

باز این چه شورش است که در خلق عالم است

باز این چه نوحه و چه عزا و چه ماتم است

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 364.

foll. 245; lines 14; size 8×41; 51×21.

كليات دوني

KULLIYÂT-I-'URFÎ.

The poetical works of Maulana Sayyid Muhammad, poetically known as 'Urfi, bin Maulana Zayn-ud-Dîn 'Ali bin Maulana Jamalud-Din Shirazi. He came to India, and at first made acquaintance with the celebrated Faydi, and then, after serving for some time under Khan-i-Khanan 'Abd-ur-Rahim, attached himself to Akbar. He died of dysentery at Lahore, A.H. 999 = A.D. 1590, at the age of thirty-six years.

Beginning:-

سرطبعم او توسفی برهوا ست که سرچشمه آب روی صباست

Qaşidahs intermixed with Gazals, fol. 15; an incomplete Maşnawî, entitled "Farhâd-wa-Shirin," fol. 1265; Rubâ'îs, on fol. 1435; short Maşnawis Qit'ahs, single verses and a few Qaşidahs, fol. 1805; Tarkîb-bands, fol. 211a; Mutafarriqât, fol. 212a.

Written in good Nasta liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with illuminated head-pieces on foll. 15 and 1435. Spaces for

headings have been left blank in several places.

Not dated, apparently 18th century A.H.

No. 365.

foll. 243; lines 19; size 11 × 61; 82 × 41.

THE SAME.

Another copy of 'Urfi's Kulliyât. The arrangement of the contents of this copy exactly agrees with that of the India Office Library copy No. 1451.

Beginning:-

لى مقاع درد در بازار جال انداخته گوهر هر سود در جیب زبال انداخته

Qaşidahs and Qit'ahs in alphabetical order, fol. 1b; Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 81a; Rubā'is, fol. 183a; Maşnawis, viz. مجمع الإبكار on fol. 195b and مجمع الإبكار.

Written in Shikastah hand.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 366.

foll. 111; lines 25; size 11×7 ; 7×4 .

خده صرفي

KHAMSAH-I-SARFL

A unique and valuable, but defective, copy of the Khamsah of Maulana Shaykh Ya'qûb, poetically surnamed Şarfi, of Kashmir. He was a friend of the celebrated historian Bada'ûni, who devotes a long notice to the poet's life. See Muntakhab-ut-Tawarikh, III, pp. 142-149 and 259-261. Şarfi died on 12th Dulqa'd, A.H. 1003

A.D. 1594, for which year Bada'ûnî (III, p. 148) gives the chronogram شين امم بود.

The poet composed this Khamsah in imitation of the five

poems of Nizami.

The poems in the present copy are arranged in wrong order.

The right order seems to be as follows:—

I. الخيار Maslak-ul-Akhyår, foll. 876-1110, written in imitation of Nizâmi's Makhzan-ul-Asrår, and completed A.H. 993 — A.D. 1585, for which year the title of the poem forms a chronogram (cf. fol. 1110). This seems to be the first poem of the poet's Khamsah, for he refers to the second in the following line at the end of this poem, fol. 1110:—

II. رامق ر عدرا Wâmiq wa 'Adra, foll. 16-24a. It is in imitation of Nizami's Khusrau wa Shirin, and treats of the love adventures of Wamiq and 'Adra.

Beginning (fol. 1b):-

This is the second Maşnawi poem of the poet's Khamsah, as he himself says on fol. 23a:—

It was completed in A.H. 993 = A.D. 1585, as expressed by the chronogram معشرق و عاشق in the concluding lines of the poem.

III. ليلي ر مجازي Laylâ wa Majnûn, foll. 25^b-50^a. In imitation of Nizâmi's poem of the same name.

Beginning (fol. 25h) :-

It is the third poem of the Khamsah, and to it the poet refers thus on fol. 50°:—

The date of completion, A.H. 998 — A.D. 1589, is expressed by the chronogram شرح عشقبازي in the concluding lines of the poem.

The fourth poem, which the poet wrote in imitation of Nizami's Iskandar Nâmah, and to which he refers in the prologue of his fifth poem, is wanting:—

V. منامات يبر Maqâmât-i-Pîr, foll, 506-866, in imitation of Nizâmî's Haft Paykar.

Beginning (fol. 50b):-

It was completed in A.H. 1000 — A.D. 1591, for which year the title forms a chronogram (fol. 86a). The poet refers to this poem on fol. 54a:—

Written in small Nasta'llq within gold and coloured-ruled border, with an illuminated head-piece at the beginning of each poem. The headings are written in red throughout. The original folios are placed in new/margins.

Not dated, apparently beginning of the 17th century.

A seal of a certain Zaman 'All Khan is found at the end of each poem.

No. 367.

foll. 258; lines 15; size 81 × 51; 51 × 3.

ديوان فيضي DÎWÂN-I-FAYDÎ.

A very good copy of a collection of the lyrical poems of Shaykh Abul Fayd, with the double Takhallus of Faydi and Fayyadi, the brother of Akbar's prime-minister Abul Fadl, the author of the famous Akbar Namah. Faydi was born A.H. 954 — A.D. 1547, and died A.H. 1004 — A.D. 1595.

Beginning with a preface introduced by three bayts the first of which runs thus:—

بسم الله الرحمس الرحيم كفي اول راست طلسم قديم.

Qaşidahs, Elegies and Tarkib-bands, fol. 5b.

A short Masnawî, without any title, beginning as in Ethé, Bodl. Lib. Cat. No. 1058, on fol. 946:—

شكر كه جمازة بمنزل رسيد زورق انديشه بسلحل رسيد

A collection of Gazals in alphabetical order, extending up to the ردیف رار, begins on fol. 1026:—

مستافه سخی میرسد از دل بلب ما عشق است که بر بسته زبان ادب ما

or Riddles, beginning on fol. 1920:-

بى تفكر نيستم در هيچ گاة يافت دانم دل دران پايان راة

Rubā'is, not alphabetically arranged, beginning on fol. 1990: — الله اكبر زهى خداى منعال خورشيد جمائش ايمي ازيم زوال

حرفش و خط عقل برون عز و جل کفیش و حد فکر فزون جل جلال

Another Elegy, beginning on fol. 248a:-

محققان كه كمالات كل حساب كندد الج .

The copy ends with some Elegies and Tarkib-bands.

Written in beautiful Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders, with richly illuminated 'Unwans on foll. 6-7. The headings are written in red throughout the copy. There are several seals and 'Ard-didahs on the fly-leaf, and one of these is dated Jumada I, A.H. 1069.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 368.

foll. 129; lines 15; size 91 × 51; 71 × 4.

THE SAME.

Another diwan of Faidi containing only a number of selected Gazals, arranged in alphabetical order.

Beginning:-

مستانه سخن ميرسد از دل بلب ما الي .

Written in ordinary Indian Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece.

Dated A.H. 1230.

No. 369.

foll. 165; lines 13; size 9×41; 51×21.

نل و دمن

NAL WA DAMAN.

Faydî's famous Maşnawî, known as Nal-Daman, in imitation of Nizâmî's Laylî wa Majnûn. It is a free Persian adaptation of the episode of Nala and Damayantî in the Mahâbhârata.

Beginning:-

This is the third poem of the poet's Khamsah, which he planned in A.H. 993 — A.D. 1585, but did not live to finish. The poet completed it in four months, and dedicated it to Akbar in A.H. 1003—A.D. 1594. Lithographed in Calcutta, 1831; Lucknow, A.H. 1263; a part of the Maşnawi is printed in Spiegels' Chrestomathia Persica, Leipzig, 1846, pp. 131-150.

Written in neat Nasta'liq within red-ruled borders, with the

headings in red.

Dated Sha'ban, A.H. 1072.

Scribe: -- Los same.

The MS. is damaged towards the end.

No. 370.

foll. 105; lines 14; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

رباعیات سعابی ۱۳۸۳ تا ۱۳۸۳ ت

RUBÂ'IYÂT-I-SA'ḤÂBÎ,

A large collection of Ruba'is of Maulana Kamal-ud-Dîn Sahabî of Astarabad, also called Sahabî Najafi on account of his spending the last forty years of his life in devotion on the holy shrine of 'Ali at Najaf, where he died according to unimpeachable authorities in A.H. 1010 — A.D. 1601.

The present collection of Ruba'is, arranged in alphabetical

order, breaks off in the middle of the رديف دال.

Beginning:-

العقاق الله كه بانعام خدا از خلس رميدم و شدم رام خدا هر كس سخفى ازين و آن ميكويد من ميكويم نام خدا نام خدا الله Written in neat Nasta'liq.

Dated Ramadân, A.H. 1078,

Seribe: معز الدين قزريني ...

No. 371.

foll. 59; lines 15; size 101 × 6; 7×41.

ديوان ولي DÎWÂN-I-WALÎ.

The lyrical poems of Wali of Dasht-i-Bayad, who flourished under Shah Tahmasp Safawi of Persia (A.H. 930-984 — A.D. 1523-1576), and died, according to Safinah (Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. Cat. No. 1481), in A.H. 1012 — A.D. 1603.

Beginning with Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 16:-

شب نوید قرب در زد بنده درگاه را خوش اثرها بود در پی ناله جانگاه را

The MS. ends with a series of Rubâ'is, beginning on fol. 56°.
Written in ordinary Nasta'lîq within coloured borders.
Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 372.

foll. 371; lines 17; size 9 × 41; 61 × 21.

اعجاز نامه

I'JÂZ NÂMAH.

An extremely rare copy of a poetical account of the exploits and heroic deeds of 'All, by Maulana Shams-ud-Din Muhammad, poetically surnamed Gina'i, a native of Lar. From the account given by the poet himself on foll 12a-19a we learn that his father, bearing the name Muhammad, flourished under Shah Tahmasp (II) of Persia (A.H. 930-984 — A.D. 1525-1576), who also showed favour to our poet. After the death of Shah Isma'il (II) (A.H. 984-985 — A.D. 1576-1578), when Sultan Muhammad (Khudabandah) came to the throne, the peet left for India, and attached himself to the services of emperor Akbar as a chronicler, in which capacity he passed four years. He was then made a diwan of Gujarat, where he stayed for five years. Then, having incurred the dis-

pleasure of the emperor, he was sent to prison (according to Sprenger, Oude Catalogue, p. 40, the poet was sent to prison at

Gawâliyâr where he was in A.H. 994 - A.D. 1585).

He subsequently got the diwani of Bihar, and on Jahangir's accession received the diwani of Bengal, and lastly became a Wazir at Delhi (cf. fol. 180, 1. 3). The date of the poet's death is not given anywhere, but he was still alive in A.H. 1014 — A.D. 1605, when Jahangir ascended the throne.

The title of the poem Li is occurs on fol. 325. On fol. 371s, where the poet gives some admonitions to his son Ja'far, he tells that he was sixty-five years old at the time of the composi-

tion of this work.

Beginning:-

بنام جهاندار ملک رجود که هستش جهان رشعهٔ بحر جود

Written in fair Nasta'liq with the headings in red. The MS. is in a damaged condition. Foll. 9-11, 14-16, 41-48 and 104-114 seem to be fire-stained.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 373.

foll, 61; lines 14; size 81 × 5; 6 × 31.

ديوان نسيبي

DÎWÂN-I-NASÎMÎ.

The lyrical poems of Nasimi, who is called by the author of the Sham'-i-Anjuman, p. 467, Nasimi Ḥusayni Shirazi نصيني شيرازي.

The verse quoted by the author of the said Tadkirah is found here on fol. 465. The date of the poet's death is not known, but it is evident that he lived before A.H. 1016 — A.D. 1607, the year in which the transcription of this copy was completed.

Beginning:-

ساقیا أمد بجوش از شوق لعلت جل ما

..... بيار از چشمه حيوان ما

The diwan consists of Gazals in alphabetical order, and ends with a long Tarji band, which begins thus on fol. 55b;—

ما مظهر ذات كبريائيم ما جام جم خدا نسائيم

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece and 'Unwan.

Dated Ramadan, A.H. 1016.

Scribe: -. .

No. 374.

foll, 122; lines 17; size 7 × 31; 51 × 21.

ديوان نظيرى

DÎWÂN-I-NAZÎRÎ.

The lyrical poems of the famous Maulana Muhammad Ḥusayn, poetically called Naṣīrī of Niṣḥapur مولانا محصد حسين المتخاص به who died A.H. 1021 — A.D. 1612.

Beginning:-

Qaşîdahs, fol. 1^b; Gazals, arranged in alphabetical order, fol. 9^b; Tarkib-bands, Tarji'ât and Qit'ahs, fol. 65^a; Rubâ'is, fol. 87^a; another series of Qaşîdahs, fol. 92^a.

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

The MS. is worm-eaten and damaged.

No. 375.

foll. 102; lines 17; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3$.

ديوان سنجر

DÌWÂN-I-SANJAR.

The lyrical poems of Mir Muhammad Hashim, poetically called Sanjar مير محدد هاشم المنظمي به سنج, of Kashan, who came to India, according to Azad's Khizanah-i-'Amirah, p. 259, during the reign of Akbar in A.H. 1000 — A.D. 1591. The poet subsequently entered the services of Ibrahim 'Adil Shah of Bijapūr, where he died in A.H. 1021 — A.D. 1612.

Beginning:-

This copy consists of Gazals, Qasidahs, Qit'ahs, short Masnawis, Rubâ'îs, and single verses intermixed with each other. The folios are misplaced in many places and the catch-words are wanting throughout.

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled

borders.

Dated A.H. 1041 (cf. 36b), i.e. twenty years after the poet's

death.

The fly-leaf at the beginning contains numerous seals and Ard-didahs, the dates of which range from A.H. 1105-1171. A seal of one Muhammad Şâlih, dated A.H. 1178, is found on foll. 1b: 36b and 45c.

No. 376.

foll, 183; lines 13; size 9×6; 61×31.

ساقي نامة ظهوري SÂQÎ NÂMAH-I-ZUHÛRÎ.

The well-known Masnawi of Maulana Nur-ud-Din Muhammad, poetically called Zuhuri, of Turshiz, in Khurasan مولانا نور الدين محمد who came to India A.H. 988 — A.D. 1580, and died A.H. 1025 — A.D. 1616.

The poet dedicated the poem to Burhan Nizam Shah II of

Ahmadnagar (A.H. 999-1003 - A.D. 1590-1594).

Some folios are missing at the beginning of the copy, and the Masnawi opens abruptly thus:—

Written in good Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders with the headings in red. Spaces for headings have been left blank in several places. Marginal and interlinear glosses are found in many places.

Dated Dulqa'd A.H. 1241.

No. 377.

foll. 167; lines 14; size 61 × 31; 41 × 11.

محبود و ایاز MAHMÛD WA AYÂZ.

The story of Mahmud and his slave Ayaz.

This is one of the seven Maşnawis of Maulana Zulali of Khwansar مولانا زلالي خوانساري who flourished under Shah 'Abbas and was a panegyrist to Muḥammad Baqir Damad. He commenced this Maşnawî A.H. 1001 — A.D. 1592, finished it A.H. 1024 — A.D. 1616, and died A.H. 1024 or 1025 — A.D. 1615 or 1616.

Beginning with a short preface:-

تقدير قدرت و تصوير صلعت صالعي و قادري را .

The poem itself begins thus on fol. 46:-

بغام أنكه محمودش اياز است غمش بتحالة نار و نياز است

It was edited in Lucknow, A.H. 1290.

Written in minute Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with beautifully illuminated head-pieces on foll, 1^b and 4^b.

The headings are written in red throughout the copy.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 378.

foll. 79; lines 11; size 6×4; 3×11.

ديوان تراب

DÎWÂN-I-TURÂB.

The lyrical poems of Mirza Abu Turab Beg of Kashan مرزا ابو تراب بیگ کاشی, who flourished in the reign of Shah 'Abbas Safawi (A.H. 985-1038 — A.D. 1577-1628).

The diwan begins with a preface by the poet's friend Ibn-i-Mirza 'Ali 'Abd-ul-Karim Kashani, who collected the poet's diwan. The date of the poet's death given in this preface, fol. 5°, is Friday, 14th Rajab, A.H. 1025 — A.D. 1616.

Beginning of the preface:-

A copy of the work, closely agreeing with the present one, is noticed in Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. Cat. No. 1523.

Beginning of the Qasidah, on fol. 96:-

Qaşidahs, fol. 95; Tarji'bands, fol. 155; Tarkib-bands, fol. 224; a Maşnawi, fol. 294; Muqatta'ât, fol. 315; Mu'ammiyât, fol. 354; Târikhs, fol. 365; Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 385; Fards, fol. 674; Rubâ'is, fol. 775.

Written in minute Nasta'liq with the headings in red. Some

folios are wanting at the end.

Not dated, apparently 18th century. The MS, is worm-eaten.

No. 379.

foll. 148; lines 14; size 91×5; 6×3.

ديوان شاپور

DÎWÂN-I-SHÂPÛR.

The lyrical poems of Âqâ Shâpûr مثابر or, according to Taqî Kâshî (Sprenger, 42), Khwâjah Sharaf-ud-Dîn Shâpûr, a relative of the celebrated I'timâd-ud-Daulah, the father of Jahângîr's wife, Nûr Jahân. He was still alive in A.H. 1026 — A.D. 1616.

Beginning with Qasidahs in alphabetical order, on fol. 16:-

Tarji'ât, on fol. 27a; Gazals, on fol. 35b; Rubâ'îs, on fol. 141a.

The Gazals break off in the middle of the اردیف ها.

Some folios have been misplaced; the right order should be :-36, 31, 30, 37.

Written in fair Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with illuminations on foll. 1b-2a, 27b-28a and 35b-36a. Corrections and emendations are occasional.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 380.

foll. 19; lines 9; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

نان وحلوا

NÂN WA ḤALWÂ

on

"BREAD AND SWEETS."

A poem on ascetic life by Bahā-ud-Dîn 'Amulî, with his full name Shaykh Bahā-ud-Dîn Muḥammad bin Sayyid Ḥusayn bin 'Abd-uṣ-Ṣamad ul-Ḥariṣī, of Jabal-i-'Āmul, near Damascus شيد الحين محمد بن سيد حسين بن عبد الصد الحارثي العاملي. He adopted the poetical title of Bahā'ī, and was born, according to Brocklemann, Vol. II, p. 414, on the 19th Dulhijjah, A.H. 953 — 11th February, A.D. 1547. He was a great Shī'ah divine, and wrote numerous works on Shī'ite law, tradition, mathematics and

astronomy. See Bankipur Lib. Cat. Vol. III, pp. 43-48. He died in Shawwâl, A.H. 1030 — A.D. 1621.

Beginning with a short preface in Arabic :-

اما بعد حمد الله تعالى على اقضاله و الصلوة و السلام على الشوف المخلائق .

The poem itself begins thus on fol. 2s:-

ايما الساهي عن العبد القديم ايما اللاهي عن اللهم القويم

The Majnawi is also called حواني الصحار, on account of its having been composed in the course of the author's pilgrimage. See Majma'-ul-Fusaḥâ, ii, p. 9.

It has been lithographed in Constantinople, A.H. 1268 and 1282.

Written in a clear bold Nasta'liq within gold and colouredruled borders with an illuminated 'Unwan and the headings in red.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 381.

foll. 136; lines 12; size $7 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$; 5×2 .

ديوان نقي DIWAN-I-NAOÎ

The diwan of Shaykh 'Ali Naqî of Kamran (in 'Iraq) على نقى كبرة, a well-known panegyrist of Shah 'Abbas I (A.H. 995-1038—A.D. 1586-1628). He died in A.H. 1030 or 1031—A.D. 1620 or 1621. Copies of his diwan are rare. One is noticed in the Bankipur Library Catalogue, Vol. III, p. 9.

Beginning:-

اى قام همايونت طغراچة فرمانها خورشيد صفت طالع از مطلع ديوانها

Contents:-

Gazals in alphabetical order, fol, 1^b; Rubâ'is, fol, 91_a; Mu'ammiyât, fol, 92^b; Târîkhs, fol, 110^a; Pahlawiyât, fol, 112^a.

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled

borders with an illuminated head-piece.

Dated A.H. 1055.

A note at the end, dated A.H. 1113, is followed by a seal of 'Abd ul-Majid Khan of Muhammad Shah's court.

Another note on the fly-leaf at the beginning says that the donor of this library purchased the MS. for fifteen rupees.

No. 382.

foll. 98; lines 12; size $6\frac{1}{8} \times 3\frac{3}{2}$; $4\frac{1}{8} \times 2$.

THE SAME.

A small collection of the lyrical poems of the same 'Ali Naqi, beginning with Qasidahs:—

چو خفتگل لعد را عداج روز نشور زخواب مرك جهاند نهيب نفخة صور

Gazals in alphabetical order, beginning as above, fol. 23a; Rubâ'is, and Pahlawiyât intermixed, fol. 80b; Tarkib-bands, fol. 92a.

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

There are several seals, almost all faded, on the fly-leaf, and one of these, bearing the inscription, is dated A.H. 1120.

No. 383.

foll. 92; lines 12; size 71×4; 41×21.

THE SAME.

A collection of 'Ali Naqi's Qasidahs, without any order, beginning like the preceding copy. The Qasidahs are followed by Tarkib-bands, on fol. 53b; elegies, fol. 62b; Tārikhs, fol. 70a.

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled

borders with whole-page 'Unwans on foll. 1b, 2a and 2b.

Not dated, apparently 17th century. A seal bearing the inscription—

حيدر خان خانه زاد احمد شاه بهادر بادشاه غازى .

is found at the beginning and end of the copy.

No. 384.

foll. 511; lines 25; size $12\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $10 \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

ديوان طالب آملي DîWÂN-I-ȚÂLIB-I-ÂMULÎ.

A large collection of the poems of Maulana Muhammad Talib of Amul in Mazandaran مواتا معمد طالب أملي, the poet-laureate of Jahangir's court. He died at Fathpur, A.H. 1035 — A.D. 1625.

Beginning with Qit'ahs:-

زهی سرفرازی که در رتبه زیبد کمین چاکران ترا تاجداری

Tarkib-bands and elegies, fol. 20b; Maşnawis, fol. 36b. The first Masnawi, foll. 36-107, is a poetical account of Jahangir's reign, written at the emperor's order in imitation of Firdausi's Shah Nâmah, Nizâmi's Sikandar Nâmah and Hâtifi's Tîmûr Nâmah, occurs جيانگير نام occurs بيانگير نام 16-18. The title Jahangir Namah جيانگير نام on fol. 495, l. 22. This Masnawi seems to be rare, inasmuch as it is not found in the poet's works mentioned in other catalogues. The author of the Suhuf-i-Ibrahîm (Bankipur Lib. Copy, fol. 565b) says that Talib composed a Jahangir Namah of five thousand verses. The present copy consists of about four thousand verses. It begins thus on fol. 36b:-

بقام فروزندة مهر و ماة فوازندة وايت صبحاة

The headings are wanting throughout. The Jahangir Namah is followed by short Masnawis. Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 1285; Ruba'is alphabetically arranged, fol. 464b.

Written in fair Nasta'liq.

Not dated, apparently 18th century. The MS. is in a damaged condition.

No. 385.

foll. 189; lines (centr. col.) 12; (margl. col.) 24; size 101 × 6; 91 × 5.

THE SAME.

Another copy of Talib Amuli's diwan, consisting of Qasidahs, Gazals, Masnawis and Ruba'is.

Beginning:-

سحر كه بر مؤة افروشتم چراغ نكاه بدست شعله شكستم كلاه كوشة آه

Written in fair Nasta'liq within gold-ruled borders with illuminated 'Unwan and ornamentations at the beginning.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

The fly-leaf bears a note dated A.H. 1172, and another dated A.H. 1192. A note on the same page, dated 3rd October, 1891, suggests that the MS, formerly belonged to one Muhammad Yusuf Abul Baqa, son of Maulavi Sayyid Muhammad Isma'il Khan of Bankipur, Patna.

No. 386.

foll. 165; lines 17; size 9×43; 61×23.

THE SAME.

Another copy of Talib's diwan consisting chiefly of Qaşidahs, followed by a series of Qit'ahs and Tarkib-bands.

Beginning: -

Written in fair Nasta'liq within coloured ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

Two 'Ard-didahs, one dated A.H. 1147, and another 1150, are found on the fly-leaf.

No. 387.

foll 77; lines 17; size 10 x 51; 7 x 31.

ديوان قاسم ديوانه

DÎWÂN-I-QÂSIM DÎWÂNAH.

The Diwan of Mulla Muhammad Qasim ملا مصد قام, better known as Qasim Diwanah, of Mashhad, who came to India, and settled in Delhi where he was still alive in A.H. 1036 — A D. 1626.

The Diwan consists chiefly of Gazals arranged in alphabetical order, with a few Ruba'is at the end,

Beginning:-

Written in broken Nasta'liq. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 388.

foll. 289; lines 15; size $8 \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $5\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$.

كليات شفائي

KULLIYAT-I-SHIFA'Î.

The poetical works of Ḥakim Sharaf-ud-Din Ḥasan Shifā'i مكيم شرف الدين حسن شغاني. a past-master in all branches of poetry. He was a renowned physician in the court of Shāh 'Abbās

the Great, and died on the 15th of Ramadan, A.H. 1037 - A D. 1628.

Beginning:-

صبا بكو بمصد رضا كه ديكر باز الن .

The work consists of Satires, fol. 15; Maşnawis, fol. 73°; Rubā'is and Qit'ahs, fol. 87°; Tarkib-bands, fol. 128°; Qaşidahs, fol. 1565. The Maşnawi , composed A.H. 1021 — A.D. 1612, begins on fol. 242°.

Written in beautiful Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders on papers of different colours, with an illuminated head-

piece.

Folios have been misplaced in many places. The proper order, as far as can be ascertained, should be 26a-33b, 126a; 88a-92b, 87b; 48a-72b, 234a-241a; 186a-233b, 256a-257b; 253a-255b, 258a-287b.

Dated Wednesday, the 11th of Jumada II, A.H. 1026. That is to say, the copy was written eleven years before the poet's death.

.على رضا الكاتب الاصفهاني --: Scribe

No. 389.

foll. 378; lines 11; size 7×41; 5×21.

ديوان جلال اسيو

DÎWÂN-I-JALÂL ASÎR.

The Diwan of Mirza Jalal Asîr Işfahâni, with the takhalluş Asîr Işfahâni, with the takhalluş Asîr المير المنظم به المير المنظم به المير المنظم به المير المنظم به المير المنظم به المير المنظم به المير المنظم به المير المنظم به المير المنظم به المير الم

The contents of this copy are divided into two parts:—
1. Foll. 1-290. Gazals in alphabetical order, beginning:—

 Foll. 200-378. Qaşidahs, Qiţ'ahs, Chronograms, Maşnawis and Tarkib-bands without any order, beginning:—

لى دانة تسبيم خيالت دل دانا ،

Written in bold Indian Nasta'liq on papers of different colours within red-ruled borders, with an illuminated frontispiece at the beginning of each Section. The colophon of the first part is dated Tuesday, the 17th Ramadan, A.H. 1189, the 17th regnal year of Shah 'Alam, and that of the second, Wednesday, the 17th of Sha'ban, A.H. 1189.

Scribe : الى الى

No. 390.

foll. 330; lines 13; size 10 x 5; 6 x 3.

THE SAME.

Another copy of Asir's Diwan, consisting of Gazals in alphabetical order and Ruba's without any order.

Beginning as above.

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq within red-ruled borders. The copy is full of interlineal and marginal glosses.

Dated Thursday, the 28th of Ramadan, the 50th regnal year

(most probably of Aurangzib).

A seal of ميد علي رضا dated A.H. 1124 and another of are found respectively on foll. 70° and 70°.

No. 391.

foll, 596; lines 17; size; 91 × 51; 71 × 31.

كليات قدسي

KULLIYAT-I-QUDSI.

The poetical works of Ḥāji Muḥammad Jān Qudsi of Mashhad ماجي محمد جان قدمي المشهدي. He came to India A.H. 1041-Ā.D. 1631, and was introduced to the court of Shāh Jahān by 'Abd Ullah Khān Firûz Jang (d. A.H. 1054 — A.D. 1644) in A.H. 1042 — A.D. 1632. He held a prominent position among the poets of Shāh Jahān's court, and was liberally rewarded on several occasions by the emperor. He died at Lahore or Kaṣḥmir, according to best authorities, in A.H. 1056 — A.D. 1646.

The present kulliyat, like many others, begins with the prose preface by Jalal-ud-Din Muhammad Tabataba'i of Isfahan (who came to India in A.H. 1044 — A.D. 1634), which was finished in Agra, the 11th of Rabi' I, A.H. 1048 — July 23, A.D. 1638.

Beginning:-

Qaşidahs arranged in alphabetical order, fol. 7b; Tarji' and Tarkib-bands, fol. 121b; Gazals, alphabetically arranged, fol. Rubā'is, in alphabetical order, fol. 248a. The Maşnawi Zafar Nâmah, غفر نامه, relating the exploits of Shâh Jahân, begins thus on fol. 289b:—

بحمدى خدائي زبانم كشود الغ .

According to some authors Qudsi left this Maşnawî incomplete, and it was subsequently finished by Tâlib-i-Kalîm; but see Rieu, ii., p. 686.

The Masnawi in praise of Kashmir begins on fol. 557b.

Another Masnawi without any title, agreeing with Ethé, Ind. Office

Nos. 1552,6 and 1553,7, begins on fol. 589b.

Written in good Indian Nasta'liq within gold and colouredruled borders with illuminated head-pieces on foll. 1^b, 7^b, 121^b, 165^b, 248^b, 289^b, 395^b, 557^b, and 589^b. The fly-leaf at the beginning contains a painted picture of Indian style of Hājî Muḥammad Jān Qudsi, the author of the work.

A seal of Muhammad Ibrahim, dated A.H. 1276, is found on

foll, 16 and 596a.

Not dated, apparently 17th century.

No. 392.

foll. 197; lines 12; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; 6×3 .

THE SAME.

A very beautiful copy of a smaller collection of Qudsi's poetical works, preceded by a short prose preface, written in A.H. 1041 — A.D. 1631 and dedicated to Abû Naşr Khân bin Minûchihr Khân, the governor of Mashhad.

Beginning, like Ethé Ind. office Lib. copy No. 1552,7:-

جل من لا اله الا هو .

Qasidahs in alphabetical order, beginning on fol. 86:-

من أن نيم كه كنم حركشي زنيغ جفا النع .

Tarkib-bands, fol. 91°; short Maşnawis, fol. 124b; Gazals alphabetically arranged, fol. 132b; Rubâ'is without any order, fol. 193°.

Written in beautiful Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders on papers with floral designs in gold. Profusely illuminated 'Unwans on foll. ≱, 8b, and 132b. The first two pages are sumptuously illuminated.

Not dated, apparently 17th century. Foll, 1879-1975 are slightly water-stained.

No. 393.

foll; 185; lines 13; size 81 × 51; 6 × 3.

THE SAME.

Another copy of Qudsi's diwan, beginning with the same preface and consisting of Tarkib-bands, Masnawis, Gazals and Ruba'is arranged in the same order as in the preceding copy.

Written in good Nasta'liq.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 394.

foll. 25; lines 12; size $9\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

افتتاح سلطاني

IFTITAH-I-SULTANÎ.

A poetical account of prince Aurangzib's war with the Uzbeks, and Nadr Muhammad Khân, the ruler of Balkh, by a poet who calls himself, on foll. 65 and 24a, 'Alawi. He flourished under Shâh Jahân, who is spoken of in the present tense.

Beginning:-

The title of the poem occurs on fol, 25°,

The date of composition, A.H. 1057 = A.D. 1647, is given in

the concluding line, which forms a chronogram.

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold-ruled borders with a double-page illuminated 'Unwan. It was copied at the desire of one Nur Mahdi Khan by Muhammad Arshad in A.H. 1150.

No. 395.

foll, 36; lines 14; size 61 x.41; 5 x 22.

منوهر و مدهو مالت

MANOHAR WA MADHU MALAT.

A Maşnawî on the love-story of prince Manohar and princess Mdhû Mâlat, translated from a Hindû poem. Beginning as in Rieu, ii, p. 700a:-

In the colophon the work is ascribed to one Shaykh Nûr Muḥammad تصنيف شيخ نور محمد. The date of composition given in the concluding lines is A.H. 1059 = A.D. 1649, and it is said here that the poem consists of one thousand verses.

Written in a careless ugly Nasta'liq by a most illiterate scribe, who gives his name in the colophon as Shaykh Lutf-Ullah. Full of clerical mistakes.

Dated 11th Chait, the third regnal year? Apparently 19th century.

No. 396.

foll. 180; lines 15; size 91 × 51; 6 × 31.

ديوان فياض DÎWÂN-I-FAYYÂD.

The diwan of Maulana 'Abd-ur-Razzaq bin 'Ali bin Ḥusayn, poetically called Fayyad مولانا عبد الرزاق بن علي بن حسين المتخلص He was born in Lâhijan, but as he lived for a long time in Qum, under Shah 'Abbas II (A.H. 1052-1077 — A.D-1642-1666), he is also known as Qummi. He died, according to Rieu, Supplt., No. 324, where a copy of his diwan is noticed, about A.H. 1060 — A.D. 1650. Another copy, is described in Bank. Lib. Cat., Vol. III, pp. 94-97.

Beginning:-

This copy consists of Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 1^b; Rubâ'is, without any order, fol. 155°. It ends with a Sâqi Nâmah, which begins thus on fol. 169^b:—

Written in Nim Shikastah by Sayyid 'Ali of Thanisar مد على تهانيسري for one Shaykh Muhammad Ahsan.

Dated Shâh Jahânâbâd, 13th Dulqa'ad, the thirteenth regual year of Muhammad Shâh, i.e. A.H. 1143.

No. 397.

foll. 101; lines 15; size 8 x 51; 61 x 1.

ديوان كليم DÎWÂN-I-KALÎM

The Diwan of Mirza Abû Talib, with the poetical title Kalim مرزا ابرطالب كليم هداني. He was born in Hamadan, but, as he lived for some time in Kashan, he is sometimes called Kasha. He came to India during the reign of Jahangir, and, shortly after Shah Jahan's accession, attached himself to the Imperial Court, receiving from the emperor ample rewards for composing poems on occasional events. He died, according to the best authorities, A.H. 1062 — A.D. 1651.

This copy of the Diwan consists chiefly of Gazals, arranged in

alphabetical order.

Beginning:-

بدل كردم بمستي عاقبت زهد ريائي را

The copy is incomplete, and the Gazals break off abruptly in the middle of the letter 3 (dål). The Gazals are followed by a fragment of a treatise on Muhammadan law, dealing with matrimonial questions (foll. 95a-101b).

Written in Nim Shikastah with notes and additional verses on

the margins.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 398.

foll. 29; lines 15; size 101 × 6; 7×41.

ديوان نسبتي DÎWÂN-I-NISBATÎ.

Selections from the Diwan of Maulana Nisbati of Thanisar, مراتنا نسبتي تهانيسري, near Lahore, who was still alive in A.H. 1062 — A.D. 1651. See Bankipur Lib. Cat., Vol. iii, pp. 104-105.

Beginning with Gazals in alphabetical order:-

بكوى يار بدًا كردة الد خالة ما بشاخ زلف نهادند آشيالة ما

The copy ends with a few Ruba'is on fol. 27s.

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq within red-ruled borders.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 399.

foll. 96; lines 13; size 71×41; 51×23.

ديوان ميدي DÎWÂN-I-ŞAYDÎ. ـ

A somewhat rare copy of the lyrical poems of Mulla Sayyid 'Alī, with the poetical nom de plume Ṣaydī, of Ṭeheran, مع سيد علي طبراني who came to India during the reign of Shah Jahan, in A.H. 1064 — A.D. 1653. He enjoyed the warm favour of the emperor's accomplished daughter Jahan Ara Begam, and died in Delhi A.H. 1069 — A.D. 1658.

This copy consists chiefly of Gazals arranged in alphabetical

order.

Beginning:-

شد بسكه از خرام تو تغلير حالها .

The Gazals are followed by a few Qit'ahs on fol. 95a and Rubā'is, fol. 95b.

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled

borders.

Not dated, apparently 17th century. A note at the end runs thus:—

موافق نستخه منقول عنه نوشته شد "

The last two folios are pasted over with patches of thick paper.

No. 400.

foll. 87; lines 13; size 72×41; 51×22.

ديوان بيخود DÎWÂN-I-BÎKHWUD.

The Diwan of Mulla Jami, poetically surnamed Bikhwud, ملا بيخود. He was a native of Lahore, and flourished in the reign of Shah Jahan. He also wrote a Masnawi, entitled هما "Beauty and Heart" (Comp. Rieu, II, p. 741b), and died, according to Sarkhwush (Sprenger, p. 110), in A.H. 1086 — A.D. 1675; but the chronogram جامي از جاء حديثير شد quoted by Sprenger, loc. cit., gives A.H. 1084 — A.D. 1673.

This copy of the poet's Dîwân consists chiefly of Gazals in

alphabetical order, and some Ruba'ls without any order.

Beginning with Gazals:-

رُ نيرنگ هجوم جلوة ات اي رشک محشرها الم •

Written in minute Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders.

Dated, on fol. 99b, 27th Jumādā I, A.H. 1114.

No. 401.

foll. 52; lines 16; size $9 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; 7×3 .

ديوان عشق DÎWÂN-I-ISHQ.

An extremely rare copy of the lyrical poems of 'Ishq, عشق.

Several poets bearing the Takhallus 'Ishq are noticed by the biographers of Persian poets. The present author seems to be identical with Mirzâ Abd-ullah 'Ishq, معمرزا عبدالله عشق بي مرزا عبدالله عشق بي مرزا معدد أله son of Mirzâ Muḥammad Shafi', mentioned in the Riyâd-ush-Shua'râ (Bankipur Lib. Copy, fol. 277a), where, among the verses quoted by the author of the said Tadkirah, one, viz. the first on fol. 7a, is found here. In Riyâd we are told that the poet died in the reign of Shâh Sulaymân Şafawî, who reigned A.H. 1077-1105 = A.D. 1667-1694, and that one of his ancestors, Mirzâ Dâ'ûd, was closely connected with the Şafawî kings of Persia On fol. 45b the poet refers to the Anwâr-i-Suhaylî of Husayn Wâ'iz-ul-Kâshifî (d. A.H. 910 = A.D. 1504) thus:—

گر نویسند بآب و زر و گوهر صد بار فشود نسخهٔ انوار سهیلي مصحف

Beginning:-

يحمد الله كه امشب حوضتم پروانه خود را

چراغان کردم از شمع رخی کاشافه خود را

Contents :-

Gazals in alphabetical order, foh 1b. A long Qaşîdah of sixty verses on fol. 43°, beginning:—

شد و میخانهٔ عوا بهار حافرور نشان کل سرشار

Tarkib-bands, on fol. 45a, beginning:-

لى از آئينة خود دادة بخوبان روها الم .

Rubá'is, on fol. 51¢, beginning:-

Written in beautiful Nasta'liq within gold-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece. On fol. 52^a the following note, written in red in the same hand as the MS. itself, says that the copy belonged to one Shaykh Muhammad Amjad:—

مالك بالاستحقاق شير محمد امجد .

The date of transcription given between the last two lines, at first sight reads "A H. 1050," but closer inspection shows that it is "11050" which evidently stands for "1150."

No. 402.

foll. 589; lines 31 (in 4 coll.); size 14×81; 111×61.

ديوان مايب DÎWÂN-I-ŞÂ'IB.

A very valuable autograph copy of a large collection of the Gazals of the famous poet Sa'ib, with his original name Mirza Muhammad 'Ali مرزا محمد على صائب. His ancestors belonged to Tabriz, but during the time of Shah 'Abbas II the family removed to Isfahan, where he was born in about A.H. 1012 = A.D. 1603. He came to India during the latter period of Jahangir's reign, and found a most benevolent patron in Zafar Khan, the governor of Kabul, who brought him to the court of Shah Jahan. Towards the end of his life he returned to Persia, and received the title of Malik-ush-Shu'ara from 'Abbas II. He died in Isfahan A.H. 1088 = A.D. 1677. He is admitted on all hands to be the greatest among the modern Persian poets, and is the creator of a new style of poetry. He was also well versed in Turkish, and most copies of his diwan contain poems in Turki. This copy of the diwan, consisting chiefly of Gazals in alphabetical order, begins thus, like most copies:-

اگر قد مد بسم الله بودسی تاج عنوانها . قاشتی تا قیامت نو خط شیرازد دیوانها

Written in beautiful minute Shikastah hand within gold-ruled borders with a beautifully illuminated head-piece and a doublepage 'Unwan.

This valuable copy has an illuminated parallelogram on the

fly-leaf containing two verses of the poet, the first of which runs thus:-

محوكى از صفحة دلها شود آثار من من همان ذوقم كه مي يابند از گفتار من

These verses, written in the same hand as the MS. itself, are introduced by the words راته عائب, i.e. "written by Sâ'ib," and are followed by a seal of the poet bearing the inscription معند على. On the right-hand side of the aforesaid verses is a note by Muhammad Bâqir ul-Mûsawi un-Nîshâpûrî, entitled Siyâdat Khân, in which it is said that this MS. was written for Zafar Khan of Kâbûl by Mirzâ Şâ'ib himself, and was in the possession of Ni'mat Ullah Khân, who, towards the end of A.H. 1138, presented it to the writer of the note.

Two other notes, dated A.H. 1192 and 1206, are found on the same folio.

No. 403.

foll. 602; lines (centrl. col.) 15; (margl. col.) 28; size $11\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; 10×5 .

THE SAME.

Another copy of Sâ'ib's dîwân, containing Gazals in alphabetieal order, Mufridât or single verses (fol. 580b), beginning as in Bankipur Lib. copy No. 341; unfinished Gazals, known as المحال المحالة, fol. 596a (margin).

Written in fair Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders.

A versified colophon on the last folio says that the MS, was copied at the request of one Muhammad 'Arif Qâdi by Ḥâtim in A.H. 1114.

A seal of Dilâwar 'Alî of 'Âlamgîr's time bearing the date A.H. 1097 or 1067 is found on the fly-leaf. It is evident that this seal was impressed long after the death of the said Dilâwar 'Alî, by a different person.

No. 404.

foll. 512; lines 17; size $10 \times 5\frac{1}{3}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

THE SAME.

Another copy of Şâ'ib's diwân, containing Gazals in alphabetical order, Maţâli' or opening verses, alphabetically arranged, fol. 4161b; Mutafarriqât or detached verses, likewise in alphabetical order, fol. 430b. Written in fine Nîm-Shikastah hand. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 405.

foll. 76; lines 15; size 61 × 31; 41 × 21.

ديوان كاتب

DÎWÂN-I-KÂTIB.

A slightly defective copy of the lyrical poems of a poet who adopts the poetical nom de plume Katib,

Beginning, with a Qaşidah in praise of 'Ali:-

نا بوندان جسم جان باشد شيودام مدح خاندان باشد

The Gazals in alphabetical order begins on fol. 4b:-

از دیدهٔ ظاهری کی تو به بینی خدای را

موسى عمران فديد شعشعة لقلى را

The poet mentions Nazîrî (d. A.H. 1022 — A.D. 1613) on fol. 39° and Şâ'ib (d. A.H. 1088 — A.D. 1677) on fol. 65°. It is therefore evident that he died some time after the last-mentioned date.

This copy consists chiefly of Gazals, and breaks off in the

middle of the letter v. Fol. 76 should be followed by fol. 57.

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 406.

foll. 135; lines 12; size 71×41; 5×21.

ديوان شوكت

DĪWÂN-I-SHAUKAT.

A valuable copy of a selection of the lyrical poems of Muhammad Ishaq Shaukat of Bukhara, يخدد اسحاق شوکت بخاري who finally settled in Işfahan, where he died in A.H. 1107 — A.D. 1595.

ر خود باریهٔ تلخم حلاوت داگر است خذدهٔ الله خوش این اللاب را شار است A Turkish commentary on the poet's diwan is noticed in G. Flügel, i., p. 590.

This copy contains a selection of the poet's Gazals arranged

in alphabetical order.

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold-ruled borders on gold sprinkled paper, with an illuminated 'Unwân. Copied, A.H. 1125, i.e. 18 years after the poet's death, by Muhammad Isma'll of Tabriz at Isfahân.

No. 407.

foll. 99; lines 17; size 81 × 5; 61 × 21.

ديوان خليل

DÎWÂN-I-KHALÎL.

A collection of poems by a poet who adopts the takhallus Khalil غليل. From the chronograms on foll, 470-490 it would appear that he lived under Aurangzib (A.H. 1069-1119 = A.D. 1659-1707) whom he praises in laudatory terms. The last date found is A.H. 1107 = A.D.

The MS. is a defective one, and opens abruptly thus:-

خواهش مد مدعلی ناروا دارم هنروز

The first part of the copy comprises Gazals in alphabetical order, followed by a series of detached verses on fol. 28°. Mu'ammas, fol. 34°; Rubâ'îs, fol. 41°; chronograms, fol. 47°; short Maşnawîs, fol. 49°.

Written in fair Nasta'liq with additional verses on the

margins

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 408.

foll, 336; lines 14; size 9×41; 6×21.

كليات خاشع

KULLIYAT-I-KHASHI'.

A rare copy of the poetical works of Khāshi' whose full name remains in obscurity. It is evident from the following line on fol. 715, that the poet came to India from Îrân:—

دل ما خوش كه بهذد آمدة ايم از ايران .

The exact date of the poet's death is also not known, but from the panegyric poems and verses addressed to the Emperors Ålamgir and Bahådur Shåh, we can reasonably infer that the poet flourished in their reigns. The latest date found in the work, is a chronogram expressing the date of Bahådur Shåh's accession to the throne in A.H. 1119 — A.D. 1707.

Beginning:-

The work consists of Qasidahs without any alphabetical order, fol. 16; Tarji band, on fol. 50 a; a Masnawi, fol. 53b; chronograms, fol. 63a; Gazals, in alphabetical order, fol. 79b; Rubâ'is, without any order, fol. 223b.

Written in fair Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece on fol. 1b and 79b. Additional verses are found on the margins throughout the copy.

Unfortunately the folios towards the end are in considerable confusion. The right order seems to be:—1-192, 296, 193-198, 301, 199-290, 307-310, 291-294, 303-306, 311, 297, 295, 302, 299-300, 312-336.

Not dated, apparently beginning of the 18th century.

A seal of Dilawar 'Ali of 'Alamgir's reign, dated A.H. 1162, is found on the fly-leaf.

No. 409.

foll. 347; lines 19 (4 coll.); size $12 \times 9\frac{1}{2}$; $9\frac{1}{4} \times 7$.

حملة حيدري

HAMLAH-I-HAYDARÎ.

A poetical account of the prophet and the first four Khalifs, based on the Ma'ârij-un-Nubuwwat of Mullâ Miskin, by Mirzâ Muḥammad Rafi' Khân, with the takhalluş Bâdil مزا محمد رنبع. He was at first attached as Diwân to Prince Mu'izz-ud-Dîn, whose mother was his own sister, but later on became the governor of Gawâliyar, and then of Bans Barelly. He died in Delhi, A H 1123—A.D. 1711.

Beginning:-

For full particulars of the author and his works see Bankipur Lib Cat., Vol. III, p. 374, etc.

This copy does not contain the continuation by Muhammad

Şâdiq Azâd.

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq on coloured papers within coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece. The headings are written in red throughout.

Dated A.H. 1147.

.سيد مرتضى --: Scribe

No. 410.

foll, 117; lines 15; size 73 × 41; 51 × 3.

ديوان بيدل

DÎWÂN-I-BÎDIL.

A collection of the lyrical poems of Mirza 'Abdul Qâdir Bidil bin Mirza 'Abd-ul-Khâliq مرزا عبد الغاريدل بن صرزا عبد الغالق, who originally belonged to the Turkish Chagata'î tribe of Arlâs, but was born in 'Azîmâbâd (Patna), A.H. 1054—A.D. 1644. He was of great stature, and, according to some authorities, at first adopted the takhallus of Ramzi. He spent his last days in Delhi, where he died on Thursday, the 4th Safar, A.H. 1133—A.D. 1720. He was also well versed in Turkish. His complete works are said to amount to between ninety and a hundred thousand lines.

This collection, consisting chiefly of Gazals in alphabetical

order, begins thus :-

Written in fair Nasta'liq.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

Two seals of one Sayyid 'Abd-ul-Bâşit, dated A.H. 1221, are found on foll. 15 and 1175 respectively.

No. 411.

foll. 117; lines 12; size 91 × 51; 6 × 21.

حلآج وحدّاد

HALLÂJ WA HADDÂD.

A mystical Maşnawi dealing with the story of the cottoncleaner and the blacksmith, by Muhammad Tähir, poetically surnamed 'Alawi, of Kāshān مصد طاهر علوي الكاشاني. He came to India, and flourished under Muhammad Nāṣir-ud-Dīn Shāh (A.H. 1131-1161 — A.D. 1719-1748), to whom he dedicated the present work, which he completed in A.H. 1140 — A.D. 1727 (cf. fol. 115°).

Beginning, as in Sprenger, p. 328:-

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold-ruled borders with a double-page 'Unwan and two illuminated head-pieces in the beginning.

یک هزار و The colophon, dated A.H. 1144 (wrongly written یک هزار و پیار و بیار instead of چیل و چیار), says that the copy was transcribed by the poet's pupil Muhammad Arshad.

The colophon is followed by a seal of Salab-ud-Din Khan of

Muhammad Shah's time, dated A.H. 1145.

The MS. is worm-eaten.

No. 412.

foll. 95; lines 15; size 91 × 6; 6 × 3.

ديوان حيا

DÎWÂN-I-HAYÂ.

The Dîwân of Sheo Râm, poetically surnamed Ḥayâ شير رام حيا, a Kâyath Hindû of Akbarâbâd. He was the son of Bhagwatî Mal, a Mutaşaddî (accountant) of 'Aurangzîb's Wazîr Nawwâb Asad Khân. He was a pupil of Mirzâ Bîdil of Patna, and died, according to 'Alî Ḥasan's Ṣubḥ-i-Gulshan, p. 144, in A.H. 1144 — A.D. 1731.

Beginning as in Ethé, Bodl, Lib. Cat. No. 1171:-

طرح صحبت با در شمع انتاد این پروانه را

Contents:—Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 15; Rubā'is, fol. 805; Mukhammas, fol. 895; Mu'ammiyāt, fol. 923; Chronograms, fol. 925; Qit'ahs, fol. 943.

Written in good Nasta'liq within red-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece. Foll. 2a-9b are written in a different hand. Additional verses are found on the margins. Spaces are left blank in many places.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 413.

foll. 148; lines 11; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; 6×3 .

ديوان ثابت

DÎWÂN-I-SÂBIT.

The Diwân of Mîr Muḥammad Afḍal, with the Takhallus Ṣábit مير محمد انضل ثابت, of Badakhshân. He was the nephew of Himmat Khân Badakhshî (son of Islâm Khân), and died in Shabân, A.H. 1151 — A.D. 1738.

Beginning:-

اى كه وابستة حرف تو بود نظم بيان الن .

This copy of the poet's Diwan consists of Qaşidahs including some elegies, fol. 1^b; Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 95^b; Qit'ahs, intermixed with single verses, Ruba'is and chronograms, fol. 140^b; Mukhammasat, fol. 144^b.

The MS, is defective towards the end,

Written in fair Nasta'liq with occasional headings in red.

The copy is not dated, but a seal of the poet's pupil Shir Afgan Khan, bearing the date A.H. 1151, is found on the fly-leaf at the beginning. It is therefore probable that the transcription was made immediately before or after the poet's death. Several seals on the same fly-leaf are effaced.

No. 414.

foll, 183; lines 13; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

ديوان توفيق

DÍWAN-I TAWFIO.

The Diwan of Tawfiq Kashmiri تونيق كشيري, who, according to Sham'-i-Anjuman, p. 99, died 89 years old, towards the end of the 12th century A.H. The latest date found in this copy is A.H. 1188 — A.D. 1774 (fol. 64a).

Beginning:-

The Diwan consists of Masnawis, for 1b; Qasidahs, fol. 20b; Tarji'bands, fol. 41a; Tarkib-bands intermixed with a few Qasidahs, fol. 45b; Qit'ahs and chronograms, fol. 59a; Gazals in alphabetical order, with some detached verses, fol. 64a; a Saqi

Namah, fol. 1686; Mukhammasat, fol. 1696; Ruba'is, fol. 1806;

Mustazâd, fol. 1830.

Written in Indian Ta'liq for Shaykh Gulâm Muḥammad Qâdiri Chishti Nizâmi, better known as Miskin Shah, by his disciple (name illegible).

Dated 15th Shawwal, A.H. 1252.

No. 415.

foll. 123; lines 15; size 12×7; 9×41.

حاتم طائي HĀTIM TĀ'Ī.

A poetical version of the most popular fable "Hatim Ta'i," by Shaykh Farhat Ullah, poetically surnamed Farhat bin Shaykh Asad Ullah مثين فرحت بن شيخ احد الله فرحت بن شيخ احد الله who in the following copy of his Urdû Diwan (fol. 32b) calls himself a pupil of Shaykh Gulam 'Ali Rasikh of Patna.

Farnat died at Patna A.H. 1191 — A.D. 1777. According to the poet's statement on fol. 2^b, he wrote the poem for a Euro-

مستر فرئيدل pean gentleman called here

The MS. is defective at the beginning as well as towards the end. It opens abruptly with the following line:—

Written in fair Nasta'liq with headings in red. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 416.

foll, 63; lines 14; size 91 x 6; 7 x 4.

ديوان نوحت (اردو) DĪWĀN-I-FARḤAT (URDÛ).

The Urdû Dîwân of the same poet Farhat (noticed above), consisting of Gazals in alphabetical order, including a few Qit'ahs and Rubâ'is.

Beginning:-

The MS, is defective towards the end. Written in Shikastah. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 417.

foll. 54; lines 12; size 81 × 41; 51 × 3.

ديوان مظهر جانجانان DÎWÂN-I-MAZHAR JANJÂNÂN.

The Diwan of Shams-ud-Din Habib Ullah with the takhallus Mazhar, better known as Jan Janan المنظم الدين حبيب الله He was born, according to his own statement, on fol. 1b, A.H. 1110 = A.D. 1698, and died, according to Rieu i, p. 363°, in A.H. 1195 = A.D. 1780.

The Diwan is preceded by a short prose preface containing an autobiography of the poet. It begins thus:—

The Diwan begins thus :-

It consists of Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 25; single verses and Rubâ'îs, fol. 482; Maşnawîs, fol. 492; Mukhammasât, fol. 495; Musaddasât and Wâsûkhts, fol. 512. It ends with a Qiţ'ah, on fol. 535.

Written in Shikastah for one Sîtâ Râm, son of Lâlâ Gaurî Sahâi of Lucknow, by Baijnâth Sahâi, poetically surnamed 'Adlî. The headings are in red. Additional verses are found on the margins.

Dated 16th Dul-hijjah, A.H. 1249. The MS. is slightly worm-eaten.

No. 418.

foll. 260; lines 15; size $11\frac{3}{4} \times 7$; $7\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

ديوان واقف DÎWÂN-I-WÂQIF.

The Diwan of Maulana Nûr-ul-'Ayn with the Takhallus Waqif, son of Maulana Amanat Ullah مواتنا نور العين واقف بن مواتنا امانت الله He is generally thought to have been a native of Patiyalah in the

Panjáb, but see Bankipur Lib, Cat., Vol. III, No. 424. He died in A.H. 1200 — A.D. 1785.

Beginning:-

The copy consists of Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 1^b; Qit'ahs and Rubâ'is, fol. 242^b; Tarji'bands, fol. 249^b; Mukhammasât, fol. 259^b.

Written in clear Nasta'liq within gold and coloured borders with a profusely illuminated head-piece.

Dated 19th Shawwal, A H, 1262.

Scribe: - ملا محدد كمال.

No. 419.

foll. 313; lines 13; size 8 × 41; 5 × 21.

THE SAME.

Another copy of Waqif's Dîwan, arranged like the preceding copy.

Written in small Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders with an illuminated head-piece.

Dated 5th Rajab, A.H. 1263.

No. 420.

foll. 86; lines 11; size $9 \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

ديوان جوهري DÎWÂN-I-JAWHARÎ.

The lyrical poems of Maulana Ayat Ullah, poetically surnamed Jauhari مولانا أيت الله جوهري, of Patna, mentioned in Sprenger, pp. 184, 244. He died in A.H. 1200 — A.D. 1785.

The Diwan consists chiefly of Gazals arranged alphabetically.

Beginning:-

الا لى ساقي وحدت تو بكشا راز دلها را •

Written in Indian Ta'liq on yellow-coloured papers. Additional poems by the poet in praise of the Prophet are occasionally found on the margins.

Not dated; 19th century.

No. 421.

foll. 42; lines 15; size 141 × 81; 92 × 5.

أصف نامد

ASAF NAMAH.

A short Maşnawi poem dealing with the campaign of Nawwab Aşaf-ud-Daulah of Oudh (A.H. 1188-1212 — A.D. 1774-1797) against Gulâm Muḥammad Khân, who, after imprisoning and assassinating Muḥammad 'Ali Khân, forcibly took possession of the government of Râmpûr. Âşaf, espoused the cause of Muḥammad 'Ali's infant son Ahmad 'Ali, defeated and took Gulâm Muḥammad prisoner, and restored the throne to Aḥmad 'Ali. The author, whose full name is unknown, adopts the Takhalluş Mauzûn will.

Beginning:-

Written in fair Nasta'liq within red-ruled borders with the headings in red and an illuminated head-piece. The MS, is full of clerical mistakes.

Not dated; 19th century.

The seals of Sulayman Jah, Amjad 'Ali and Wajid 'Ali, late kings of Oudh, are found at the end of the copy.

No. 422.

foll. 96; lines 13; size $12\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{3}{2}$; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{3}{4}$.

ديوان قيامت

DÎWÂN-I-QIYÂMAT.

The Diwan of a poet who adopts the Takhalluş Qiyamat, with his original name Giyaş-ud-Din غيات الدين قيامت, to which he refers on fol. 89°, l. 13. From a tarikh on fol. 22°, in which he gives the date of birth of his son, A.H. 1212 — A.D. 1797, we know that he was still alive in that year.

Beginning:-

The copy begins with a Masnawi dealing with a religious controversy between the poet and a Brahmin at Mathrà. Qasidahs,

fol. 6a; another Masnawi, fol. 13a; Qit'ahs, intermixed with satires and chronograms, fol. 16b; Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 22b; Mu'ammiyât Mustazâds, Rubâ'is and Mukhammasât, fol. 89s.

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq. Not dated; 19th century.

No. 423.

foll. 59; lines 13; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $7\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

اقبال نامه

IQBÂL NÂMAH.

A poetical account, by an anonymous author, of the events connected with the accession of Wazir 'Ali Khân (the adopted son of Nawwâb Âṣaf-ud-Daulah) to the Masnad of Oudh at Lucknow, and his dethronement by Sir John Shore, who raised Nawwâb Sa'âdat 'Ali Khân (A.H. 1212-1229 — A.D. 1798-1814) to the Masnad.

Beginning:-

بغام خداوند انصاف و داد که انبال با اهل انصاف داد

The poet speaks of Shah 'Alam (A.H. 1173-1221 — A.D. 1759-1806) in the present tense, and also praises the Marquis Wellesley and Sir John Shore.

The title of the poem and the date of its completion, viz. 6th Dul-hijjah, A.H. 1215 — A.D. 1800, are found on fol. 590.

Written in bold Nasta'liq with the headings in red.

Dated 3rd Jumada I, A.H. 1316.

Scribe :- يد مصد مهدى.

No. 424.

foll. 299; lines 13; size 6 × 4½; 4½ × 2½.

ديوان بركت

DÎWÂN-I-BARAKAT.

The Diwan of Barakat, whose original name, according to his son's statement in the colophon, was Barakat Ullah Khan برکت الله خان برکت. The poet seems to be identical with Sprenger's (Oude Catalogue, p. 166) Barakat, Barakat Allah Belgramy, who was in A.H. 1229 — A.D. 1813 at Calcutta in search of employment. The MS. is also endorsed ديوان برکت بلکرامي.

Beginning:-

ای ناکشوده پرده عذار جمیل را هنگامه گرم ساختهٔ قال و قیل را

The Diwan consists chiefly of Gazals, arranged in alphabetical order. It ends with some Ruba'is, fol. 294b, without any order.

Written in ordinary but distinct Nasta'liq within red-ruled borders with a faded 'Unwan and head-piece.

The colophon runs thus:-

بعون عقایت الهي باتمام رسید دیوان قدیم بخط خلف برکت الله خان برکت الله خان برکت الله خان برکت دوازدهم شهر ذیحجه روز جمعه سفه هفت جلوس محمد اکبر

No. 425.

foll. 277; lines 21; size 131×8; 101×51.

كليات ديشي

KULLIYÂT-I-'AYSHÎ.

The works of Talib 'Ali Khan 'Ayshi, son of 'Ali Bakhsh علي خان عيشي بن علي بخش He was a native of Lucknow, and a pupil of Mirza Muhammad Ahsan Qatil and Mushafi. He died, according to Subh-i-Gulshan, p. 296, in A.H. 1240 — A.D. 1824. The last date found in the work is A.H. 1238 — A.D. 1822. See Karim-ud-Din, Garcin de Tassy's translation, p. 376.

The work opens with a preface which begins thus:-

The first Qasidah begins thus on fol. 5b:-

امي بوجودت وجود علت امكان ما عين خفايت ظهور عين ظهورت خفا

The work consists of Qaşidahs, fol. 55; Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 415; Qit'ahs, fol. 85a; Chronograms, fol. 93a; Tarkibbands, fol. 99a; Mukhammasat, fol. 102b; Rubā'is, fol. 103b; Magnawîs, fol. 118a.

Then follows the prose work entitled خزان و بهار Khizān wa Bahār on fol, 1696. It ends with a collection of letters.

The Persian work of the poet is followed by his Urdû diwan,

which begins thus on fol. 2015:-

The Urdû diwân consists of Qaşîdahs, fol. 2016; Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 2236; Musaddas, fol. 2556; Mukhammas, fol. 257a; a romantic Maşnawi introduced by the heading: دربیان, fol. 264a; followed by another Maşnawi, entitled معاشق شدن برهمن زاده برزنی (fol. 272a). At the end of this Maṣnawi we find a note in which it is said that the scribe of this copy found this Maṣnawi of fifty-three verses, written by the poet himself, in the shop of a grocer. Marṣiyah, fol. 274a; Qiṭ'ah, fol. 277b.

Written in fair Nasta'liq with the headings in red.

It would appear from a colophon on fol. 845 that the copy was transcribed by "a friend of Muhammad 'Ali" in A.H. 1242.

No. 426.

foll. 145; lines 14; size 91×6; 6×21.

ديوان انيس DÎWÂN-I-ANÎS.

The diwan of Mohan La'l, poetically surnamed Anis, son of Tula Ram موهى لعل انيس بن ترا رام. He belonged to the Kayath family of Lucknow, and was a pupil of Makin. He was still alive in A.H. 1239 — A.D. 1823; a date expressed by the chronogram on fol. 144°, of the present copy.

. خدارندا چنان کن بیخبر در عشق خرد ما را که نشناسد دل بیتاب هرگز دین و دنیا را

The Diwan consists of Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 16; Tarji bands, fol. 112a; Mukhammasat, fol. 133b; Ruba'is, fol. 138a chronograms, fol. 143a.

Written in fair Nasta'liq within red-ruled borders. Additional

verses are found on the margins.

Dated 7th Muharram, A.H. 1239.

No. 427.

foll. 166; lines 17; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{3}{4}$; $5 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

جنات النعيم

JANNAT-UN-NA'ÎM.

A metric version of the مصباح الشريعة و مغتاج التقيقة, which contains a collection of thoughts and precepts relating to the rules and duties of the religious life, ascribed to the sixth Imam Jafar bin Muhammad ul-Ṣādiq, who died A.H. 148 — A.D. 765.

Beginning:-

The opening verses are introduced by the following line:-

The author of the poem is not named anywhere, nor is there any clue to the time in which he lived.

The work is divided into 99 sections called A. A list of the

contents occupies foll, 165b-166b.

Written in a careless Nasta'liq with the headings in red.

Dated, fol. 165^b; Kirman, Wednesday, 4th Shawwal, A.H.

1243.

No. 428.

foll, 51; lines 11; size 9×6; 54×34.

افانة محبت

AFSANAH-I-MAHABBAT.

A romantic poem on the love adventures of an Indian youth and a damsel, by a poet called Shukri شكري, who composed it, as stated by himself on fol. 495, in A.H. 1250 — A.D. 1834.

Beginning:-

The title of the poem, the date of composition, and the name of the poet are found on foll. 495-50c.

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders with the headings in red and an illuminated head-piece.

Not dated; 19th century.

No. 429.

foll, 61; lines 15; size $9 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

ديوان مضطر DÎWÂN-I-MUDTAR.

The lyrical poems of Mudtar, whose two verses quoted in 'Ali Hasan's Subh-i-Gulshan, p. 423, are found here on fol. 10b. According to the said author the poet was a Hindû Kâyath of Lucknow, and his original name was Lâlah Mitthû Lâl. Several poets bearing the title Mudtar, almost all of whom lived in the 19th century, are mentioned by biographers. A reference to the poet Makin (d. A. H. 1221 — A.D. 1806) on fol. 10b suggests that this Mudtar was still alive in that year.

Beginning:-

زدم بر طاق نسيال يعقلم أدرس كذابي را

چو خواندم از دو ابروی تو بیت انتخابی را

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 430.

foll. 43; lines 9; size 7×41; 41×2.

ارژنگ معرفت

ARZANG-I-MA'RIFAT.

A mystical poem in imitation of Maulana Jalal-ud-Din Rumi's famous Masnawi, and in the same metre and style, by an anonymous author, who composed it, as stated in the beginning, at the desire of his spiritual guide, Shah Nizam-ud-Din, entitled Niyazi, of Barelly. It is divided into two daftars or books, the first of which begins thus:—

The second daftar begins thus on fol. 23a: -

Written in minute Nasta'liq with the headings in red.

Not dated; 19th century.

The name of the scribe, who calls himself التعافق, appears on fol. 16.

Anthologies.

No. 431.

foll, 272; lines 19; size 81 × 41; 6 × 3.

تحفة الفقير و هدية الحقير

TUḤFAT-UL-FAQIR WA HADYAT-UL-ḤAQÎR.

A very rare and valuable copy of an Arabic and Persian anthology, compiled by Sharaf-ud-Din 'Ali Yazdi (d A H. 858 — A.D. 1454) مُرِنَ الْمِنِ عَلَي بِرَنِي , the author of the well-known history of Timûr, entitled Zafar Nâmah. Sharaf enjoys a vast reputation as an elegant prose-writer, but at the same time he was a poet of no mean order. · He was well versed in the art of composing verses, and his Hulal-i-Muṭarraz and Muntakhab-i-Hulal-i-Muṭarraz, on riddles and enigmas, were held in high estimation by later poets of distinction, so much so that the celebrated Jâmi based on them his own treatise on the same subject, entitled Mu'ammā-i-Kabîr or Hilyat ul-Hilal (see Bankipur Lib. Catalogue, Vol. II, p. 45).

The present work, which seems to be hitherto unknown, contains a vast collection of the choicest specimens of the different branches of Arabic and Persian poetry by various authors, arranged

according to the topics of which they treat,

Beginning :-

الحمد لله الكريم المذعم المبدع المفصل المتكرم

Unfortunately there is a lacuna after fol. 2, otherwise we might possibly have got some valuable information about the work. This folio suddenly breaks off in the middle of the praise of a certain royal personage to whom our author dedicates the work:—

اما دست در گردن این مطلوب و چنک در دامن این مقصود وقتی .
ممکن شود که عدر این کتاب و دیباچهٔ این خطاب بزیور دعلی دولت قاهره و ثغلی حضرت زاهره جناب خلافت مآب حضرت گیتی پذاهی موشم گردافی که جبابرهٔ جهان و اکاسره زمین و زمان طوق طاعت و ربقهٔ تباعت آن حضرت را گردن انقیاد نهاده اند فاقه زدگان خشک سال

After which fol. 3s abruptly opens in the middle of the description of the contents:— الوصاف المحبوب من الفرق الى القدم الباب التاسع عشر فيما يحتاج اليد من المكاتبابات النم •

The subjects, consisting of sixty-four Babs, are enumerated on foll, 3a.4a.

The first Båb begins thus on fol. 4° with an extract from the Dîwân of 'Alî bin Abû Tâlib:—

العاب الأول في التوحيد و التحميد و التسبيع و المغلجاة و التضرع الى الله تعالى وجهه . المعر المومنين على كرم الله تعالى وجهه . العجز عن درك الادراك ادراك النو .

The above is followed by a Persian extract from the Diwan of Kamal Isfahani:—
اى صفات تو بيانها را زبان انداخته الير

The sixty-third Chapter on wife or miscellaneous (fol. 2576) treats of selected verses, beginning with a particular letter, arranged in alphabetical order, according to the first letter.

Written in ordinary but learned Nasta'liq within red-ruled

borders with the headings in red.

The colophon is dated, Saturday, 19th Dulhijjah, A.H. 1019.

.عبد الكريم ابن عبد القادر .: Scribe

The first folio is supplied in a later hand. Lacunae after foll. 2, 4 and 6. Fol. 7 should be followed by fol. 9.

No. 432.

foll. 88; lines (centre col.) 16; (margl. col.) 28; size 9×41; 8×4.

Two collections of poetical extracts compiled (1) by Muḥam-mad Tāhir of Naṣīrābād معمد طاهر نصير أبادي, the author of the well-known Tadkirah, who was born in A.H. 1027 — A.D. 1617 and died after A.H. 1092 — A.D. 1618; and (2) by Naṣīra i-Hamadānī نصيرلي همداني, who was still alive in A.H. 1015 — A.D. 1606.

(1) Begins with a preface by Tahir :-

این نسطه کز آراستگی چون چمن است .

The preface is followed by some Qasidahs and Masnawis of Sa'ib.

On fol. 9b is another preface by Tâhir, in which he says that after the completion of the abridgment of Firdausi's Shâh-Nâmah he began to make an extract from the poetical works of Sâ'ib. It begins with the following Qaşidah of the poet with which most copies of his Dîwân begin:—

This section consists of selections from Şâ'ib's Qaşidahs, Maşnawis and Gazals.

(2) Naṣîrā-i Hamadânî's selection: It consists of extracts from the works of Ahli Shirāzi, fol. 70°; Jāmī, fol. 77°; Mullâ Majdûb, fol. 84°; Mullâ 'Ali Ridâ Tajalli.

The colophon runs thus :-

مجموعة انتخابي استاد النافيل مولدنا نصيراى عبدانيست كه بحكم ايشان بندة بى بضاعت (name effaced) تحرير نمود اميد است كه خاطر خواة طبع مبارك ايشان گردد و السلام تحرير في شهر جاسى الول (year effaced).

Foll. 1-64 are written in good Nasta'liq, foll. 65-86 in fair Nasta'liq, and foll. 78-88 in fine minute Nasta'liq. Fol. 84°, written in a careless hand by one Mirza Muhammad Muhsin, is dated A.H. 1108.

The date of transcription in the colophon has been effaced by some mischievous hand. In the colophon of the collection No. 2 the scribe (name effaced) says that he copied it by order of the compiler, Nașîrâ-i-Hamadânî.

No. 433.

foll. 278; lines 19 (in 4 coll); size 12×74; 91×41.

خلامة لطائف الخيال

KHULÂŞAH-I-LAŢÂ'IF-UL-KHAYÂL.

famous poetical anthology of Persian poets by Muhammad Nāṣir, with the takhalluş Nuṣrat محمد ناصر نصر, who in A.H. 1157 — A.D. 1744, added to the original work a preface and two detailed indices. According to the chronogram المالة من النشاب on fol. 116, Muhammad Şâlih completed the original work in A.H. 1104 — A.D. 1692. The selections are arranged in the form of an alpha-

betical Diwan, and to every specimen the name of the author is added on the right or left side in red ink.

Beginning of the preface, on fol. 16:-

Nuṣrat's first index, containing a list of the real names of the poets, quoted in the anthology, begins on fol. 4a; his second index, containing a list of their poetical names, on fol. 8a.

Another introduction on fol, 11a.

Beginning of the Lata'if-ul-Khayal, fol. 11b:-

This copy agrees with the one noticed in Ethé, India Office Lib. Cat., No. 1739 A large fragment of the original work is noticed in Ethé, Bodl. Lib. Cat., No. 1143.

Written in beautiful Nîm Shikastah hand within gold-ruled borders with a sumptuously illuminated head-piece. The last four

folios are written in a different hand.

Two seals of Şalah-ud-Din Khan of Muḥammad Shah's time, dated A.H. 1145, are found on the fly-leaf.

No. 434.

foll. 312; lines (in 4 coll.) 20; size $11\frac{3}{4} \times 7\frac{1}{4}$; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$.

THE SAME.

A slightly defective copy of the same work. It opens abruptly in the middle of the preface, thus:—

The arrangement is the same as in the preceding copy. Written in ordinary Nasta'liq within red-ruled borders. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 435.

foll, 318; lines 20; size 91 × 5; 3 × 31.

Another collection of Persian poetry by different poets, ancient and modern, beginning and ending with incomplete prose pieces. The earliest poet mentioned is Asadi Tûsî (d.c. 460 — A.D. 1068) and the latest, 'Ali*Hazîn (d. A.H. 1180 — A.D. 1766).

Beginning abruptly in the middle of a prose-piece in praise

of Bengal, Jahangir-Nagar (Dacca), etc:-

The poems, without any definite order, begin thus on fol. 100:-

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled border. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 436.

foll. 51; lines 10; size 61 × 31; 41 × 2.

A short anthology of Persian verses, without any special arrangement. Prominent contributions are by Jâmî; Khusrau Dihlawî; Hasan Dihlawî; 'Ismat Bukhârî; Ahli Shîrâzî; Salmân of Sâwah; Khwâjû Kirmânî. It begins with a Gazal by Jâmî, thus:—

Written in good Nasta'liq within gold-ruled borders. Dated, Agra, Rajab, A.H. 976.

No. 437-

foll. 95; lines 40; size 121 × 81; 91 × 61.

A very badly damaged copy of a Persian anthology. The first thirty folios contain selections arranged according to subjects, and headed by the name of the author from whom the selection is made. Fol. 16⁵ begins with verses introduced by the heading with, or Miscellaneous. The latter portion is without any order, and is in a hopelessly damaged condition.

Beginning:-

Many folios are left blank. Written in careless Nasta'liq. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 438.

foll. 108; lines 12; size 61 2 41; 51 x 4.

A work of heterogeneous character consisting of selected verses from various poets, prescriptions, historical matter, documents, etc., etc. Beginning:

معشوق خورد ساله بمی رو نمی دهد .

On fol. 38ª begins a Maşnawî on sexual science:-

بقام آفکه نام پاک دارد .

The poetical extracts on foll. 655-1015 are arranged according to subjects, headed by the name of the authors.

Written in careless Nasta'liq hand. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

VIII. FABLES, TALES AND ANECDOTES.

No. 439.

foll. 68; lines 15; size 101 × 61; 8 × 41.

تِسَّة چهار درويش

QIŞŞAH-I-CHAHÂR DARWİSH.

The Tale of the Four Darwishes, which has become popular through the Hindûstânî translation entitled Bâg wa Bahâr.

Beginning:-

The work is generally ascribed to Amir Khusrau of Delhi امير خسر دهلوي (d, A.H. 725 — A.D. 1325), but Sir Wm. Ouseley in his Catalogue, No. 417, attributes the authorship to one Muhammad 'Ali Ma'sûm محمد على معصوم.

The four tales are in the following order:-

Story of the first Darwish, fol. 1b. Story of the second Darwish, fol. 17b. Story of the third Darwish, fol. 32s. Story of the fourth Darwish, fol. 55b.

The colophon says that this copy was transcribed from an old and rotten MS., the folios of which were worn-out, at the desire of Maulavi Sayyid Şadr-ud-Din Ahmad, by Ţālib-ur-Raḥmān.

Mangalkothi, and collated and compared by Hasib-ud-Din and Khādim Husayn.

Written in legible Indian Nasta'liq.

Dated, Monday, the 6th of Asarh, 1300 Bengali year.

No. 440.

foll. 149; lines 17; size 131×71; 91×41.

طوطى نامه

TÜTÎ NÂMAH.

A fine and elegant copy of the older and larger version of the غياء نغشبي Well-known 'Tales of a Parrot,' by Diyâ'i Nakhahabî غياء نغشبي (d. A.H. 751 — A.D. 1350), who composed it, A.H. 730 — A.D. 1330.

Beginning:-

مغلجات بعضوت رازق الغعات في عشه كه رازق وحوش و طيور الغ .

It consists of fifty-two stories.

This beautiful copy is written in clear Indian Ta'liq within gold and coloured-ruled borders and contains a beautifully illuminated head piece. There is a large number of coloured illustrations, some of which are interesting.

The illustrations are to be found on foll. 65; 195; 215; 27a; 48a; 51a; 54a; 56b; 59b; 62b; 70b; 73a; 76a; 80a; 82b; 84b; 88b; 90a; 93b; 100a; 102a; 105b; 108b; 112b; 114b; 117b; 120a; 123a; 126b; 128b; 130b; 133a; 134b; 137a; 139a; 141b and 1456.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 441.

foll. 137; lines 15; size 9×54; 7×4.

A fragment of Nakhshabi's Tûţi Namah, beginning as the preceding copy. It breaks off on fol. 936 in the middle of the fourteenth story, corresponding with fol. 56° of the above copy.

Foll. 946-1256. A fragment of the Ma'din-ul-Jawahir see No. 447. It breaks off on fol. 1256, corresponding with fol. 94a, line 10, of the aforesaid copy.

Foll, 1262-1376. A repetition of the earlier portion of Nakh-

shabî's Tûţi Nâmah.

The MS, is written in a careless and ugly Indian Ta'liq, and is full of clerical mistakes.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 442.

foll. 92; lines 13; size 8×41; 51×21.

بهارستان BAHÂRISTÂN.

A collection of moral anecdotes in prose and verse in imitation of Sa'di's Gulistân, by the celebrated Jâmî مولانا عبد الرحمٰن جامي (d. A.H. 898 = A.D. 1492), who composed it, A.H. 892 = A.D. 1487.

Beginning:-

The work is divided into eight Rawdahs, the seventh of which contains an anthology of Persian poets. For editions, translations and other particulars of the work see Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. Cat., No. 1383.

Written in very neat Indian Nasta'liq within red-ruled borders.

Dated, Rabi I, A.H. 1270.

ارادت على -: Scribe

No. 443.

foll. 206; lines 12; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{6}$; 6×3 .

لطائف الطوئف

LATÂ'IF-UT-TAWÂ'IF.

A collection of jests, witty sayings, and anecdotes by 'Ali bin Husayn-ul-Wâ'iz-ul-Kāshifi علي بن حسين الواعظ الكاشفي (the son of the well-known author of the Anwar-i-Suhayli), better known as Ṣafī. The author confpleted the work (shortly after A.H. 939 — A.D. 1532), which he had begun but left unfinished, for the diversion of Sultan Shah Muhammad of Garjistan.

-: Beginning المحدود

The work is divided into fourteen chapters, according to the persons, or classes of men, to which the anecdotes relate, as follows:—

The Prophet. 2. The Imams. 3. Kings. 4. Nobles and Wazirs. 5. Learned men, secretaries, etc. 6. Arabs of the desert, elegant speakers, etc. 7. Shaykhs, 'Ulama, Qadis, etc. 8. Philosophers and Physicians. 9. Poets. 10. Wags. 11. Misers, gluttons, and parasites. 12. Greedy persons, thieves. beggars, etc. 13. Children and Slaves. 14. Simpletons, liars and impostors.

Written in beautiful clear Nasta'liq on gold-sprinkled papers within double gold-ruled and decorated borders with a double-page profusely illuminated 'Unwan and an illuminated frontispiece at the beginning. Unfortunately the whole MS. is badly stained with

water, and the contents are hardly legible.

The colophon written on gilded folios says that the MS. was written in Shahjahanabad for Nawwab Nijar Muhammad Khan Bahadur Shir Jang, by Muhammad Rida (c)

Dated Sunday, the 26th of Raba H., A.H. 1160.

No. 444.

foll. 173, lines 15; size 91 × 61; 71 × 4.

THE SAME.

Another copy of the preceding work, beginning as usual. This copy is written in a careless and ugly Indian Ta'liq. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 445.

foll. 235; lines 17; size 101 × 6; 81 × 41.

عيار دانش

TYAR-I-DANISH.

A modernized version of Kalilah and Dimnah, in which the two introductory chapters, omitted by Husayn Wâ'iz Kâshifi, have been restored, on the basis of Naṣr-Ullah's older version, by the famous Abul Faḍl 'Allāmi, ابر الفضل علامي ' who completed it in A.H. 996 — A.D. 1588.

Beginning:-

سپاس اول و ابد خداوند را که کران تا کران الغ .

The work consists of sixteen chapters and a khātimah. For full particulars see Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. Cat., No. 767. The first 72 folios are written in bold Indian Nasta'liq and the remaining portion in careless Indian Nasta'liq. The first two folios and the last six are supplied in a later hand.

The newly added folios at the end are hopelessly rotten, and

at the slightest touch they fall to pieces.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 446.

foll. 183; lines 15; size 82 × 52; 7 × 41.

سنگهاس بتیسی SINGHASAN BATTÎSÎ.

A very bad copy of the Persian translation of the Sinhasandvātriņšatī (or Sinhasandvātriņšatīkā, that is to say the thirty-two stories of the throne), also called Vikarmacharitram, or the stories of Rājah Vikramādītyā, and the thirty-two statues (بوئلي). The translation was made in the reign of Jahāngīr, A.H. 1019 — A.D. 1610, by Bahārmal باز صل (for the different spellings of his name and other particulars; see Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. Cat., No. 1988).

Beginning:-

حمد و ثناى بى شمار آفريدگار كه از طاعت و عبادت عابدان الع

Spaces for headings are left blank in many places,

Written in ugly and careless Nim Shikast by منبورا ناتيه جنورجه and منبورا ناتيه جنورجه سنكيه

Dated February, 1826.

No. 447.

foll. 113; lines 19; size 9\ \5\; 7\ \3\.

معدن الجواهر MA*DIN-UL-JAWÂHIR.

A collection of moral tales and anecdotes in the style of Sa'di's Gulistân, written for Jahângir, A.H. 1025 — A.D. 1616, by Mulla Tarzi مع طرزي. This copy is defective and incomplete, several folios in the beginning and at the end being wanting. It opens abruptly:—

And breaks off thus :-

The left side at the bottom of the last folio is pasted over with a thick patch, and the contents of the concluding passage are thus rendered illegible.

There are two redactions of the work, the fuller and the shorter. For particulars see Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. Cat., No. 793. This copy wants all the headings. Spaces have been left blank throughout.

Written in ordinary Ta'liq within red-ruled borders Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 448.

foll. 350 (pp. 700); lines 25; size 17×104.

بوستان خيال BŮSTÂN-I-KHAYÂL.

One of the largest and most popular Persian romances by Mir Muhammad Taqi-ul-Ja fari-ul-Husayni of Ahmadabad, in مير محمد تقى الجعفري الحسيني Gujarat, with the takhallus Khayal who died in A.H. 1173 - A.D. 1759. الحمد أبادي منتخلص به خيال It consists of a vast collection of historical legends and fairy tales, relating lengthily the endless and rather monotonous adventures and enterprises of three imaginary heroes, Shahzadah Mu'izz-ud-Din Abû Tamîm, Shahzadah Khwurshid Taj Bakhsh and Shahzadah Badr Munîr, designated respectively as Şâhibqirân-i-Akbar, Şâhibqiran-i-A'zam and Sahibqiran-i-A gar, and of a large number of equally fictitious personages belonging to the species of Jinns and Paris, as well as to men. The author wrote it at the desire of his patron Nawwâb Rashid Khân Bahâdur, better known as Mirza Rafi' Ullah (to whom the work is dedicated), and his brothers, Nawwab Muhammad Ishaq Khan Bahadur and Nawwab Mirza 'Ali Khan Bahadur (sons of Ja'far Khan, Nazim of Bengal). The author commenced the work A.H. 1155 - A.D. 1742 at Shahjahanabad,

and completed it, Dulhijjah, A.H. 1169 = A.D. 1755, at Murshidåbåd.

The entire work, comprising not less than fifteen volumes, is divided into three great Bahārs or springs, the first two of which consist together of six volumes, while the third alone comprises nine. The first Bahār, including the first two volumes, is styled Mahdi Nāmah and and and forms the Muqaddimah or preface to the whole work. It relates the history of Sultan Abul Qāsim Muḥammad Mahdi, and of the other ancestors and predecessors of Sultan Mu izz-ud-Diu.

The second Bahar or the first Gulistan, comprising the third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh volumes, is styled Mu'izz-Nāmah (معز قامه) or Qā'im Nāmah (معز قامه), and relates the adventures of the Khalifah Mu'izz-ud-Din or al-Qā'im Bi-Amrillāh, or the Ṣāḥibqirān-i-Akbar. It is subdivided into a Muqaddimah or first book (جاد اول) and two Gulshans, i.e. the second and third book جاد سوم and جاد در and جاد در على المرابع ع

The third Buhar or the second Gulislan, comprising the eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh, twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth volumes, is styled Khwurshid Nâmah (عَارَ عَلَى), and relates the adventures of Shâhzādah Mu'izz-ud-Din, Shâhzādah Khwurshid Tāj Bakhsh, and Shâhzādah Badr-i-Munîr. It is sub-divided into seven books (عَالَى), the second of which has been supplemented by an appendix, comprising two Daftars, called Shatrs (عَالَى) or Satrs (عَالَى), and bearing the special title Shâh Nâmah-i-Buzurg

A detailed description of this bulky romance is given in Bodl. Lib. Cat., No 480. An abridged translation of the work in Urdû, by 'Alam 'Alî, styled Zubdat-ul-Khayâl, was edited at Calcutta,

1834, in one volume.

This collection contains the work in fourteen separate volumes, in which the arrangement slightly differs from that of the volumes in the Bodleian Library. The present copy, endorsed or the first volume, is the first volume of the first Bahār, styled Mahdi Nāmah, and begins as usual:—

No. 449.

foll. 245 (pp. 490); lines and size same as above.

This volume, endorsed جلد دريم برستان خيال, is the second volume of the Mahdi Namah, and begins thus:—

آغاز جلد دویم مهدینامه - آمدیم بر سر داستان - راویان اخبار و ناقلان آثار چنین آورده اند که چون کوچک سلطان شاهزاده اسمعیل با شاه آگاه مقوجه کوه قاف گشت ه

The concluding lines of this volume exactly agree with those of the second volume of the first Bahar (No. 10) of the Bodl. copy. The last words in this volume تمام شد جلد دريم مهدينامه are preceded by the following statement of the author:—

انشاه الله تعالى و تقدس بعد اربي شروع در معز نامه نمايم و بتونيق
 ايزدي آن دفتر را تمام كردة بخورشيد نامه پردازم •

Dated 20th Aghan, 1293 Bengali year.

This volume and the preceding one are written in fair Nasta'liq by Shaykh Aşîr-ud-Dîn Bûhârî.

No. 450.

foll. 349; lines and size same as above.

This volume, endorsed "حاد عيرم بوستان خيال," and containing, according to a statement at the end, the two jilds (books) of the Murizz Nāmah, is in fact the first Gulsham (in two Gulzārs or volumes) of the second Bahār or first Gulistân, corresponding to the fourth and fifth volumes of the whole work.

Beginning:-

ابتدای سخی بنام خدارست که کریم و رحیم و راه نماست

Colophon:-

تمام شد جلد معز نامه بهر دو بعط خام سید ابو العصین بتاریخ پانزدهم ماه کاتک سنه ۱۲۹۳ بنگاه .

Written in ordinary Indian Nasta'liq.

No. 451.

foll. 229 (pp. 458); lines and size same as above.

This volume, which, according to the colophon, is the third fild of the Mu'izz Nâmah, is endorsed جبلد جہارم بوستان خیال

Beginning:—

بعد حمد حضرت رب الاقام جل جلاله و عم قواله .

Colophon:-

الحمد لله و المنه كه جلد سيوم معز قامه باتمام رسيد افشاء الله تعالى بعد ازمى شروع در جلد چهارم فعايم ...

Not dated. Written by the scribe of the preceding copy.

No. 452.

foll. 192 (pp. 384); lines and size same as above.

The fourth jild of the second Bahar, styled Mu'izz Namah, or the end of the first Gulistân, endorsed جلد پنجم بوستان خیال Beginning:—

آغاز جلد چهارم از بهار دویم از کتاب بوستان خیال که آفرا معز نامه گویند - هر حمدی که یر زبان هر فردی جاری شود .

Colophon :-

بخاطر گذشت که گلستان اول را از کتاب بوستان خیال دریقمقام ختم نماید

Not dated. Written by the scribe of the preceding copy.

No. 453.

foll. 297 (pp. 594); lines and size same as above.

The second jild of the third Bahar or second Gulistan of the Bustan-i-Khayal, endorsed as جلد ششم برستان خيال but forming in fact the ninth volume of the whole work.

Beginning:-

آغاز كتاب تاريخ الاعظم شاهنامه خورشيدي از تحرير حكيم اسفلينوس الهي - اما راويان اخبار و ناقلن آثار و محدثان ابن داستان كهن النو . Colophon :-

الحمد لله و المنه كه جلد دريم بهار سيوم كذاب بوستان خيال كه خورشيد قامه نام دارد باتمام رسيد انشار الله تعالى شروع در جلد سيوم خواهد رفت الغ •

Written by the scribe of the preceding copy. Not dated.

No. 454.

foll. 250; lines and size same as above.

This volume, endorsed جلد هغتم بوستان خيال, but originally corresponding to the tenth volume of the whole work, is, according to the colophon, the third jild of the third Bahar.

Beginning:-

نيئو ترين محامد وعالي ترين اثنية سزاوار جناب حضرت خالق البرية است الع • Colophon :--

امًا مغاسب چفان دید که جلد سیوم را از بهار سیوم از کتاب بوستان خیال درینجا باتمام رساند و جلد چهارم را مصدر باحوال صاحبقران اکبرشاهزاده معز الدین گرداند و جلد چهارم نیز مشتمل بر احوال هرسه صاحبقران خواهد بود و التونیق من الله الملک الودود حق تعالی از گفاهان مولف این کتاب محمد تقی الجعفری الحسینی متخلص بخیال در گذرد .

Written in clear Indian Nasta'liq.
Dated Friday, 2nd Chayt, 1290 Bengali year, corresponding to
A.H. 1300.

. اثير الدين بوهاري -: Scribe

' The colophon is followed by the words:-

جلد سيرم خورشيد نامه .

No. 455.

foll. 198 (pp. 396); lines and size same as above.

The fourth jild of the third Bahâr, endorsed جلد هشتم بوستان

Beginning:-

انواع مصدت و ستایش و اقسام شکر و نیایش خدارندی را سزا ست که گردنکشان عالم سر بدرگاه او بر خاک مذالت نهاده النع .

Colophon :-

جلد چهار بهار سيوم كتاب بوستان خيال نيز درين مقام باتمام رسيد .

Dated Sunday, the 12th Chayt, 1292 Bengali year, corresponding to A.H. 1303.

Scribe: - اثير الدين بوهاري.

. جلد جہار خورشید نامه The colophon is followed by the words

No. 456.

foll. 172 (pp. 344); lines and size same as above.

This volume, endorsed جلد نم, is designated in the beginning as the fifth jild of the third Bahar and opens thus:—

It is to be noticed that the beginning of this volume agrees verbatim with the fourth jild of the third Bahâr, corresponding to the twelfth volume of the whole work, noticed in India Office Lib. No. 844 and Bodl. (loc. cil.).

Scribe :- Abul Hasan.

No. 457.

foll. 184 (pp. 368); lines and size same as above.

This volume, endorsed برستان خيال جلد دهم, is not styled or designated anywhere in the text. It begins with the adventures of Ṣāḥibqirān-i-Akbar and opens thus:—

اما راویان اخبار و ناقلان آثار چنین روایت کرده اند که چون صاحبقران .

اکبر پوست درخت نشل قهرم کند ریسمان او باقته روان شد تا بمقرل .

شیرویه رسید .

Written by the scribe of the preceding copy.

· No. 458.

foll. 148; lines and size same as above.

This volume, endorsed جلد بازدهم, according to the author's statement in the beginning (fol. 1a), as well as at the end, is the

tirst Shatr of the fourteenth volume of the Bûstân-i-Khayâl, This and the following volumes contain a dedication to Nawwâb Sirâj-ud-Dawlah of Bengal.

In the beginning of this volume the author gives us the following particulars:—

آغاد جلد یاودهم از بوستان خیال که مشتماست بر احوال عاحبقران اصغر شاهزادة بدر منير و احوال صاحبقران اعظم شاهزادة خورشيد تاج بخش و متعلقان آن دو بادشاه عالیشان و ملاقات طالبان با مطلوبان و رصال عاشقان با معشوقان و مصبان با مصبوبان اما بعد جنين گويد اضعف عباد الله المتعال مصد تقي الجعفري الحسيني المتخلص به خیال که چون جلد هفتم بهار سیوم که بخورشید نامه علم اشتهار در عالم بر افراخته و جلد سیزدهم باعتبار اصل کناب بوستان خیال که موشم و مزین بقام قامي فواب مفصور العلك سراج الدوله بهادر هيبت جنگ است باتمام رسید شروع جلد چهار دهم نموده می آید و چون در جلد سابق تمام و كمال مشتمل بر احوال صاحبةوان اعظم و متعلقان او بود اين جلد وا مصدر باحوال عاحبقول امغر شاهزادة بدر منير اكر نمايم از انصاف دور تباشد و اکثون که کتاب نزدیک بتمامی رسیده اراده مصنف آنست که درین جلد اتشاء الله تعالى احوال صاحبةوان اصغر و صاحبةوان اعظم و متعلقان او را فكر نمودة خورشيد نامة را باتمام رساند و اين جلد چون مشتمل بر دو احوال است بدو شطر ترتیب یابد شطر اول احوال صحبقران اصغر و دویم احوال صاحبقوان اعظم و متعلقان او و در جلد پانزدهم كه خاتمة الكتاب است تتمة احوال صلحبقوان اكبر شاهزادة معز الدين ابو تميم و بقيه طلسم بيضا و كتخدائي أن عاميقران اكبر و رفقاي أن شاهزادة نامور بقيد تصوير در أوردة " كتاب را بقام اعلى الله العلى سراج الدوله بهادر هیبت جنگ تمام حارد ...

Again in the conclusion :-

باتمام رسيد شطر اول إز جلد چهاردهم در زمان کار فرمائي مسود اين فواب مقصور الملک سراج الدوله بهادر هيبت جنگ مسود اين اوراق محمد تقي الحسيني المتخلص بخيال کمر همت باختتام کتاب بوشتان خيال بنام نامي و القاب گرامي او بسته است •

Written in ordinary but legible Indian Nasta'liq. Not dated.

scribe: - عبد الرحيم.

No. 459.

foll. 309; lines and size same as above.

The second Shafr of the fourteenth volume of the Bûstân-i-Khayâl, endorsed جلد دوازده.

Beginning :-

In the conclusion we are told that the author dedicated four volumes out of the fifteen, to Nawwâb Sirâj-ud-Daulah of Bengal, By these four he most probably means the last four,

Written in good Nasta'liq by Aşîr-ud-Dîn, the scribe of some

of the volumes noticed above.

Not dated.

Four folios written in a different hand, and evidently belonging to some other volume of the work, are found at the end of this copy.

No. 460.

foll. 198 (pp. 396); lines and size same as above.

The fifteenth or the last volume of the Bûstân-i-Khayâl, endorsed جاد عبرته. In the beginning of this volume the author distinctly tells us that this is the fifteenth volume; that he commenced to write it after completing fourteen volumes, and that it consists of two sections and the Khâtimah.

The volume ends with an account of some of the exploits of * Nawwâb Sirāj-ud-Daulah.

Beginning:-

The name of the scribe is not given, but the copy is evidently due to the penmanship of A3r-ud-Din of Bûhâr, the scribe of some of the volumes noticed above.

Dated 6th Muharram A.H. 1302.

Almost all the volumes contain notes in the handwriting of the donor, Maulavî Sayyid Şadr-ud-Dîn Ahmad, to the effect that all the volumes were revised and collated under his supervision.

No. 461.

foll. 331; lines and size same as above.

This volume, endorsed منتخب برستان خيال, or "Selections from the Bûstân-i-Khayâl," consists of the portions which are wanting in some of the volumes noticed above. It begins with an account of the birth of Shâhzādah Khwurshid Tâj Bakhsh, preceded by the following note in the handwriting of the donor:—

ازبنجا تا ورق ۹۳ از جلد اول خورشید نامه ر جلد ششم بوستان خیال منقول گشت .

Beginning:-

داستان ولادت شاهزاده خورشید تاج بخش - راویان اخیار و ناقلان آثار و محدثان این داستان کهن و غواصان این دریای سخن ه

Again fol, 125a begins thus:-

ال جلد هقتم - داستان نمهید ملاقات روشن جبین بذت حور طلعت پری بران شهر باز سعادت قرین النم .

Fol. 179a begins thus with the donor's note.

ازینچا تا هفده ورق از جاد ششم بوستان خیال و جاد اول خوزشید نامه منقول است - داستان وقادت ملکه زهره جبین خطائی .

Fol. 212ª begins thus:-

از جلد دهم - احوال جگر پارة که گل عارض طعنهٔ خوبي " برگلستان ازم زدة .

Fol. 264a begins:-

از جلد دوازدهم چند سطر از احوال ملئه خوبان روزگار زهره جبین ختلی تلجدار نکاشته باز بداستان صاحبقران اعظم رجوع کنیم .

The handwriting resembles that of Aşîr-ud-Dîn, to whose penmanship we owe several of the volumes noticed above. The first 60 folios and foll. 179a-188a are written in careless and ugly Indian Ta'liq.

No. 462.

foll. 215; lines 17; size 81×51; 61×31.

قصة امير حمؤة QIŞŞAH-I-AMÎR ḤAMZAH.

A defective and incomplete copy of the popular romance of Amîr Hamzah bin 'Abd-ul-Muttalib, the uncle of the prophet. On the possible authorship of Mulla Jalal Balkhî, مع جلال بنازي comp. Rieu, p. 761, and Garcin de Tassy, Histoire de la Litt. Hind., 2nd ed., vol. i, p. 236. The narrative deals at great length with the adventures and expeditions of Hamzah, who is here converted into an imaginary hero of romance. The narrative extant in this copy relates chiefly to his adventures at the court of Nûshirwân.

The MS, opens abruptly in the middle of the seventh dastan with the following words:—

..... کرده همیشه در کشته بودي و کمان چوبي در کتف آویخته .

and breaks off with the earlier portion of the 58th dastan :-

Written in fair Indian Nasta'liq with the headings in red. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 463.

foll. 238; lines 12; size 81 × 51; 7×1.

قصة امير حمزة Qîssah-i-amîr Hamzah.

Another defective and incomplete copy of the romance of Hamzah, endorsed on fol. 15 قصة حكيم فياسوف.

This copy does not contain any heading or division. The narrative forms undoubtedly a part of Hamzah's adventures, dealt with at considerable length in the popular romance called طلب Tilism-i-Hûshrulea, lithographed in 8 vols. by Nawal Kishore.

It begins thus:-

راويان اخبار و ناقلان اثار و طوطيان شيرين گفتار النم .

The copy breaks off :-

وقدم بجلدى برميداشت و آنش هم تعاقب ماحبقران نمودة دريدة ...

Written in bold and legible Indian Nasta'liq within colouredruled borders.

Not dated, 19th century.

No. 464.

foll. 130; lines 13; size 8\(\frac{3}{2} \times 5; 5\(\frac{3}{2} \times 3.

قصة بي بي زيغون QIŞŞAH-I-BÎBÎ ZAYĞÜN.

The popular romance of Muhammad Hanifah (the third son of 'Ali) who died, A.H. 81 = A.D. 700 and Zaygun (the daughter of the Sultan of Rum).

The Bengali metrical version of this story is very popular in the villages of Bengal.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين اما بعد اين ترجمه قصه محمد حنيفه و زيفون بي بي است كه نموده مي آيد - روزي محمد حنيفه ... در باختن شكار آهوان التي ه

The work is divided into 30 dastans.

. Spaces for headings are left blank in the earlier part of the copy.

Written in modern legible Nasta'liq. The copy is full of clerical errors. Not dated, 19th century.

No. 465.

foll 323; lines 19; size 101×8; 9×51.

جذك نامة ابوصلم

JANG NÂMAH-I-ABÛ MUSLIM.

The romance of Abû Muslim Marwazi, the famous general, who played a conspicuous part in the elevation of the 'Abbasides to the Khilâfat, and who died, according to Habib-us-Siyar, vol. II., Juz 2, p. 48, on Wednesday the 25th of Sha'ban, A.H. 137 = A.D. 754. The narrative deals at great length with his noble and pious actions, his adventures and his valiant deeds on various expedi-

tions; and gives an account of the base and hostile action of Marwan-ul-Himar (died, according to the same authority, A.H. 132 — A.D. 749) against the descendants of 'Ali.

Beginning:--

الحدد الله رب العالمين و العاقبة راوي روايت ميكند داستان اول حكايت در ميان مي آرد .

Neither the title of the work nor the name of the author is given in the text, but in the colophon it is called کتاب تواریع جنگ امیر امیران امیر حضرة ابا مسلم .

The work is not divided into any chapters or sections, nor are there any headings. The names of the Prophet, the Imams, the hero and other sacred persons, are written in red. The style is plain and simple. The romance is of similar character as the popular simple or the Romance of Amir Hamzah.

Written in small ordinary Nasta'liq inclined towards Nim

Shikastah hand.

The colophon is dated Murshidabad, Wednesday, 7th Sha'ban, A.H. 1220. Written during the time of Mubarik-ud-Daulah, the youngest of the three sons of Mir Ja'far 'Ali Khan, Nawwab of Bengal.

Some of the folios are loosened and separated from the

original binding.

No. 466.

foll. 482; lines 21; size 12×8; 83×54.

An enlarged version of the same romance in which a great number of new incidents is introduced. In spite of its excessive length, this copy is by no means complete. It is defective in the beginning as well as towards the end, but it is difficult to say how many folios are wanting. It opens abruptly with the words:—

The concluding words with which the MS. breaks off are :-

Spaces for the insertion of proper names to be written in red, are left blank throughout, Written in a careless bold Nasta'liq within gold and colouredruled borders.

Foll. 394-482 are written in several different hands. Foll. 450-483 are mounted on new margins.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

IX. MISCELLANIES.

No. 467.

foll. 279; lines 19; size 121 × 8; 9 × 41.

نميم الربيع NASÎM-UR-RABÎ'.

A rare Persian translation of Abul Qasim Mahmud bin 'Umar-uz-Zamakhshari's (d. A.H. 538 — A.D. 1143) Arabic work Rabi'-ul-Abrar, consisting of a vast collection of sayings, moral maxims and anecdotes illustrating chiefly various moral or intellectual qualities and the opposite vices.

Beginning :-

حمد بیمعدود مبدعی را تقدست اسعاوه (Sio) که بتاثیر عجم اقبال

ال مطلع امال .

In the preface the translator, who does not reveal his name, after culogising the reigning king Shah Shuja', most probably the second king of the Muzaffaride dynasty, who reigned from A H. 759-786 — A D. 1357-1384, dedicates the work to Amir Salgar Shah, the Wazîr of the said king.

According to Rieu's Supplt, to the Arabic Cat. Brit. Mus. No. 1134, the Arabic original is divided into ninety-eight chapters, but the present translation consists of eighty-two chapters only. A full list of the contents is given at the end of the preface, foll. 32.52.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq by Tâlib-ur-Raḥmān of Mangalkothi.

Dated Monday, the 1st of Baisakh, 1298 Bengali year.

The colophon is followed by a note saying that the copy was revised and corrected by Maulavi Hasib-ud-Din Ahmad and Maulavi Khadim Husayn.

No. 468.

foll. 525; lines 16; size 111 × 8; 82 × 61.

شاهد صادق

SHÂHID-I-ŞÂDIQ.

A vast collection of religious, philosophical, political, ethical and cosmographical writings and containing also a large collection of moral sayings, historical anecdotes, and miscellaneous notices, by Muḥammad Ṣādiq bin Muḥammad Ṣāliḥ Iṣfahānī Āzādānī by Muḥammad Ṣāliḥ Iṣfahānī Āzādānī Āzādānī , who was born in Surat, who was born in Surat, A.H. 1018 — A.D. 1609. He commenced the work in A.H. 1054 — A.D. 1644 and completed it in A.H. 1056 — A.D. 1646.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله تعالى و منه المبتدي و اليه المنتمى و الصلوة و السلام على نبيه محمد المصطفى خير الانبيا النو .

The work is divided into five Babs, sub-divided into numerous Faşls, and a Khâtimah. A full table of the contents is given at the end of the preface, foll. 2^b-6^b.

Written in ordinary Indian Nasta'liq. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 469.

foll. 106; lines 16; size 81×51 ; 61×31 .

A curious kind of tract, consisting of a mixture of heterogeneous matter. Neither the name of the author nor the title of the work is given in the text; but on fol. 85⁵ the author narrates an anecdote by which he gives us to understand that one of his friends, named Hibat Ullah, was still alive in Λ.H. 1047 — A.D. 1637, in the reign of Shah Jahan " the deceased." We can therefore conclude that the author wrote this work shortly after Shah Jahan's death, which took place in A.H. 1076 — A.D. 1665.

Beginning:--

در بیل بلاد و شهر - بقول برخی از علما مفاول را انگاه قریه خواندد الغ .

The tract begins with a general cosmography, treating of well-known places of the earth, arranged in alphabetical order, mosques, forts, etc. After that comes a short account of the plb, fol. 35^b; then biographical notices of the saints, 'ulamā and the poets, fol. 37^b. After that comes a medical sketch, fol. 51^a, treating of the following subjects:—creation of men, the soul, physiognomy, the five senses; sexual intercourse; water; wine. Then follows the miracles of the prophets and the saints; fol. 68^b; divination, fol. 69^b; poetry, fol. 70^a; caligraphy, fol. 72^b; silence, fol. 77^b; morality, fol. 78^a; friendship, fol. 81^b; love, fol. 84^a; women, fol. 86^a; humorous sayings, fol. 87^b; the philosophy of men, fol. 88^b; account of Yājūj and Mājūj (Gog and Magog), fol. 90^a; plague, fol. 90^b; the dead, fol. 91^b; Jinns and Satans, fol. 92^b; interpretation of dreams, fol. 94^a.

Written diagonally in fair Indian Nasta'liq. Not dated, apparently 18th century.

No. 470.

foll. 383; lines 15; size $9 \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4$.

A vast collection of historical legends, moral maxims, anecdotes and curious narratives of celebrated men from the earliest times to the beginning of the thirteenth century of the hijrah, by an anonymous author.

It consists of mere selections from various other works, and begins thus without any preface :--

It begins with fables and historical anecdotes, chiefly relating to curiosities and rare occurrences, followed by a historical sketch, consisting of selections from other histories.

Then follows: -An account of the rise of the Wahabis, fol.

310a; wonders and curiosities, introduced by the heading من العجائب والغرائب, fol. 312a; a collection of 76 anecdotes, fol. 320b; an account of the ancient philosophers taken from the Khulasat-ul-Akhhar of Amir Khawand Shah fol. 329a; access

Khulâṣat-ul-Akhbâr of Amîr Khâwand Shâh, fol. 339°; some, selections from the histories of Shâh Jahân's reign, fol. 346°; a short account of the Tâj of Âgrah, fol. 368°; a scientific sketch treating of the atmosphere, rain, cloud, rainbow, thunder, etc., fol. 373°.

The occurrence of the name of Akbar II (1221-1253 = A.D. 1808-1837), on fol. 124^b, who is spoken of as the reigning sovereign, suggests that the work was compiled during his reign.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

Some folios are wanting at the end of the copy.

No. 471.

foll. 401; lines 9-14; size 9\ x 6\frac{1}{2}; 6\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}.

A slightly defective copy of a work on various topics, being a course of lectures delivered by Khwājah Shāh Hasan Ajmiri, collected by one of his disciples Muhammad Mahdi, both of whom were still alive in the beginning of the 13th century. The subjects treated are music, prosody, medicine (consisting of a collection of prescriptions for the cure of the various diseases of the body), archery, the distinction between good and bad swords, prayers, invocations, amulets, conjurations, magic, charms and cures; the virtues and the mysterious effects of the Rubā'is of the celebrated saint Abū Sa'id Abul Khayr, who died in A.H. 440 — A.D. 1048 (the Rubā'is are arranged in alphabetical order), etc., etc.

It opens abruptly thus in the middle of the section treating of the lives of the persons who were experts in the art of music:—

The concluding words are :--

The title of the work can not be ascertained on account of a lacuna at the beginning, but on the margin of fol, 1^a it is endorsed as منفرظات خواجه شاة حس اجميري.

Written in ordinary, but legible, Indian Ta'liq within coloured

ruled borders.

Not dated, 19th century.

X. MSS. OF MIXED CONTENTS.

No. 472.

foll. 127; lines (centre column) 25; (margl col.) 44; size 15×7½; 13×5.

Selections from the diwans of Rukn-i-Şâ'in, Adib-i-Şâbir, Imâmi Harawî, Majd-i-Hamgar and Badr-ud-Dîn <u>Shâsh</u>î, bound together in one volume as follows:—

I. Foll. 1-30. ديوان ركن صابين. Diwan-i-Rukn-i-Şa'in.

A rare diwan of Maulana Rukn-ud-Din Şa'in of Herat مولانا ركن الدين صاين هوري , who flourished in the reign of Sultan

Abû Sa'îd Bahâdur Khân (A.H. 716-736 — A.D. 1316-1335) after whose death he entered the services of Sulţân Tuǧâ Tîmûr Khân (A.H. 737-753 — A.D. 1336-1352). He also addressed laudatory poems to Sulţân Mubăriz-ud-Dîn Muzaffarî (A.H. 713-76) — A.D. 1313-1358), Shâh Shuja' and several others, and died in A.H. 764 — A.D. 1326. See Bankipur Lib. Catalogue, vol. i, p. 227, where a copy of the diwân is noticed.

Beginning:-

Contents :--

Qaşidahs, fol. 1⁵; Muqatṭa'āt, and Gazals intermixed, fol. 23^o. It ends with four Rubā'is, the first of which, fol. 29^b (margin), runs thus:—

The fly-leaf at the beginning contains a biographical notice of the poet, copied from some Tadkirah, by Muhammad Bakhsh Khan, the father of the donor of the Bankipur Oriental Library.

II. Foll. 316-629. ديوان ادبب صابر Diwan-i-Adib-Şabir.

The lyrical poems of Khwajah Shihab-ud-Din, poetically surnamed Sabir, of Bukhara خراجه شهاب الدين عابر البخاري. He was sent as a spy by Sultan Sanjar (A.H. 511-552 — A.D. 1117-1157) to the court of Atsiz (d. A.H. 551 — A.D. 1156), by whose order the poet was thrown, bound hand and foot, into the waters of Jihan (Oxus) and drowned in A.H. 538 (A.D. 1143), 540 (A.D. 1145), 546 (A.D. 1151) or 547 (A.D. 1152).

Beginning on the margin :-

The diwan consists of panegyric Qaşidahs, and poems, and ends with a few detached verses. It is preceded by a biographical notice of the poet in which the date of the poet's death is given as A.H. 547 — A.D. 1152.

HH. Foll. 635-835. ديوان امامي. Diwân-i-Imâmī. The diwân of Abû 'Abd Ullah Muḥammad bin Abû Bakr 'Uşmân, with the poetical nom de plume Imâmi, of Herat ابو عبد الله محمد بن who died, according to Taqi Kâşhî (Sprenger, p. 17), in AH: 686 = A.D. 1277, or, according to Majmā' ul-Fuṣaha, i, p. 98, in A.H. 676 = AD. 1277. He was a contemporary of the celebrated Sa'dī, and the noble Qâdî family of

Herat is said to be descended from him. See Bankipur Lib. Cat., vol. i, No. 88.

Beginning with a short biographical notice of the poet:-

The first folio of the diwan is followed by a lacuna and the first line on the next folio runs thus:—

Contents :--

Qaşîdahs, fol. 64°; Muqatta'ât, fol. 72°; Ĝazals, fol. 76°; Rubâ'is, fol. 79°. The Rubâ'is are followed by some Qit'ahs, Gazals and Qasidahs all intermixed.

چو عکس رویتو پرتو بر آسان انداخت زمانه را بدر خورشید در کسان انداخت

The diwan begins with Qaşidahs which are followed by Muqatta at, Tarkib bands, and Gazals intermixed, and ends with some Ruba is, the first of which runs thus on fol. 106b:—

A biographical notice of the poet, copied from some Tadkirah by Muhammad Bakhsh Khan, and dated 15th Shawwal, A.H. 1277; is found on fol. 84°.

 he was a panegyrist. He adopted the poetical title of Badr and

also Chachi or Shashi, and died A.H. 751 - A D. 1353.

This copy of the diwan consisting of Qaşidahs, Qit'ahs Tarkibbands, chronograms, Gazals and Rubā'is, without any order, begins thus:—

حمد أن سلطان عالم را كه عالم پرور است

انس او در راه ایمان انس و جان را رهبر است

The whole diwan has been lithographed with glosses and vocabulary, Lucknow, A.H. 1261 The Qaşidahs have also been lithographed in Cawapur, A.H. 1261, and with a commentary in Rampur, A.H. 1289.

Written in fair Nasta'liq within coloured-ruled borders,

Dated Friday, 3 Jumada II, A.H. 1023.

No. 473.

foll. 54; lines 15; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

ديوان حيدر كلوج

DÍWAN-I-HAYDAR KALÛJ.

I. Foll. 16-406. Selections from the diwan of Haydar ميدر كاري. a native of Herat, who in his early days took to the profession of baker, in consequence of which he became known as Haydar Kalûj. Although illiterate, he excelled many poets of his age, and it is said that, whenever any verse occurred to him, he asked the passers-by to note it down. He died in A.H. 959 — A.D. 1551

The present diwan consists chiefly of Gazals arranged in alphabetical order.

Beginning :-

لی در در جهان دولت وصلت هوس ما

وصل تو يصد گونه هـوس ملتمس ما

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq. The colophon runs thus :—

تمت هذ النسطة المتبركة مسمى ديوال حيدري بروز جهار شنبة بوقت

نماز ظهر بتاريخ هزدهم شهر ربيع الثاني سنه ۱۲ جلوس معلاى ظل الهي زاد رنعته و الطنته و حشبته .

Apparently 19th century.

HI. Foll. 416-47. اشعار نویدی Ash'ār-i-Nawidi. A very small, but very rare, collection of some of the lyrical poems of Nawidi of Nishāpūr, who came to India and attached himself to the services of the emperor Humāyūn. He died, according to Badā'ūnī, iii, p. 377, in A.H. 973 — A.D. 1565.

Beginning with a preface by the poet:-

The preface is followed by two short Maşnawls in praise of Humâyûn, the first of which begins thus on fol. 435:—

Then follows a series of Gazals in which we find the peculiarity that in each of the Gazals the use of a certain letter of the alphabets is strictly avoided; that is to say, all the verses of a Gazal consist of such words as do not contain a particular letter. For instance, the first Gazal in which the use of the letter is avoided, begins thus on fol. 44°:—

In the preface, fol. 43°, the poet says that the series consists of 29 Gazals, which he composed for the emperor Humayun.

III. Foll. 485-545. ديوان رحشتي Diwān-i-Waḥshati. A very short collection of Gazals by a poet who adopts the takhalluş Waḥshati رحشتي, arranged in alphabetical order.

Beginning:-

لى سوخته چون الله و عشقت درون موا

بربسته غذميه وار دل خسته خون مسوا

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq on thin papers of bad quality. Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 474.

foll. 111; lines (centre col. 21); (margl. col.) 28; size 9½ × 4½; 8×3½.

I. Centre col. ديوان فغالي. Selections from the diwan of Figani (see No. 352 in this catalogue), arranged alphabetically and beginning as usual:—
اى سرفامه نام تو عقل گره كشلى را الني •

II. Margl. col. ديولي رحشي. Diwan-i-Wahshi. A collection of the lyrical poems of Maulana Kamal-ud-Din Wahshi موانا كمال He was born in Bafiq, in Kirman, but as he came to Yazd in boyhood, and spent there almost his whole life, he is known as Wahshi Yazdi. He imitated the style of Figani, and died in A.H 991 = A.D. 1583.

Beginning:-

كشيدة عشق در زنجير جان ناشكيبا را النم .

Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 16; Muqatta'ât, fol. 796; Ruba'is, fol. 805; Qaşîdahs, fol. 815; Tarkib bands, fol. 925; a Maşnawî, entitled خلد برين Khuld-i-Barin, fol. 965.

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq within red-ruled borders.

Not dated, apparently 18th century.

A seal of one Muzaffar Husayn, dated A.H. 1277, is found on foll. 18 and 1116.

No. 475.

foll. 222; lines 11; size 6×4; 4×2.

I. Foll. 15-1560. The four well-known prose treatises of Maulana Nur-ud-Din Muhammad Zuhuri of Turshiz in Khurasan , who came to India in A H. مولانا نور الدين محمد ظهوري ترشيزي 988 - A.D. 1580, enjoyed the warm favour of Ibrahîm 'Adil Shah II of Bijapur, and died in A.H. 1025 - A.D. 1616. The four treatises are I. ديناجدُ نورس or Preface to the Nauras, a treatise on Indian music, composed by Ibrahim 'Adil Shah II himself; but according to some the Kitab-i-Nauras was jointly composed by Zuhūri and Malik Qummī. It begins thus on fol. 16:-

سرود سوایان عشرتندهٔ قال که بدورس سرا بستان حال کار کام و زبان

اخته اند الني

The colophon (fol. 24°) is dated Thursday, 26 Jumada II, AH. 1237.

II. ديباجة گلزار ابراهيم or Preface to the Gulzar-i-Ibrahim, beginning on fol. 255 :--

خرمي چمن سخن بطراوت حدد بهار پيرائيست الم .

The colophon (fol. 490) is dated Sunday, the beginning of April, 1822.

III. ديباچة خوان خليل or the preface to the Khwân-î-Khalîl, beginning on fol. 516:---

ای از تو بر اهل تخت و اکلیل سبیل .

IV. مِينَا بَارِارِ Mînâ Bâzâr, a description of the Bâzâr so called, built by Ibrâhîm 'Adil Shâh, beginning on fol. 100⁵:—

عصمتیان رو پوش حیا پرور و خلوتیان محفت کوش چاک نظر را موده باد .

It has been lithographed with a commentary in Delhi, A.H. 1265, and in Lucknow, A.H. 1282.

Dated 23rd Rajab, A.H. 1237, corresponding with 17th April,

1822.

The above prefaces of Zuhūrī are all in homage of Ibrāhīm 'Adil Shāh II, and describe his noble character and the splendours of his court. The first three have been printed under the title in Lucknow, 1846, Cawnpore, A.H. 1269, and A.D. 1873; English translation, Calcutta, 1887.

The colophon (fol. 99b) is dated 26th March, 1822.

II. Foll. 1586-2226. Extracts from the Jang Namah or Bazm Namah, an account of the war of A'zam Shah and Bahadur Shah, by Ni'mat Khan 'Ali على عالى originally called Mirza Nur-ud-Din Muhammad, the well-known author of the Waqai' Ni'mat Khan 'Ali, who died in A.H. 1121—A.D. 1709.

Beginning as in Rieu, p. 1049 :-

زيب ديباچة سخى نيايش بى نياز است .

The account of the war begins on fol. 164s. An English abstract is noticed in Rieu, Add. 30779. The colophon is dated 21st May, 1822.

Written in bold Indian Ta'liq

Some English meanings of difficult words written in pencil are found in the margins here and there.

No. 476.

foll 210; lines 13-15; size 9×51; 61×3.

L. Foll. 14-216. ارشاد الطالبين Irshād-ut-Tālibin.

An ethico-mystical treatise on the religious and moral doctrines of Islâm from a Sufic standpoint, by Jalâl-ud-Din bin Maḥmūd Thânisari جعال الدين بن محمود نهانيسي

Beginning :-

التحمد لله الذي اعطى الطالبين شرق لقايه و لجدى المشتانين ذرق رضايه النع •

The treatise contains 37 chapters, the first thirty-one of which

occupy foll. 16-216, and the last five, foll. 23a-306.

The colophon (fol. 30b) is dated Sunday, 9th Jumada I. The year given here as 2511 is evidently a mistake for 1152. The scribe of the copy did not know that Persian numerical figures, unlike Persian writing, run from right to left.

.محمد ابراهيم -: Scribe

II. Foll. 22a, 137a-139b, 138b. A short tract on the mystical meaning of "love" by 'Azîz Muḥammad un-Nasafi عزيز محمد

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين و العاقبة للمتقين اما بعد چنين گويد الفعف ضعفا و خادم قارا عزيز محمد الفسفي .

III. Foll. 310-440. A defective treatise on the doctrine of Sufism and its subtilties. It is defective in the beginning, and opens abruptly thus;—

...... بلا و مشقت مبتلا میکردد اما بأب اول در اثبات واجب

الوجود الغ •

In a subscription at the end, due to a later hand, it is said that this treatise, entitled " كيني نما Giti Numā," was finished on 17th Jumādā I. A.H. 1133.

It is divided into five Babs, as follows:-

IV. Foll. 456-1050. لباب الخبار Lubâb-ul-Akhbâr. A collection of 400 traditions of the Prophet on all points of theology and law, translated, according to Ind. Office Lib. No. 2639, from Ahmad bin 'Abd Uliah's original collection in Arabic, by Muḥammad Mahmūd محمد محمود. The present work contains the text with a Persian paraphrase.

Beginning:-

The work is divided into 40 Babs, each of which contains 10 traditions.

An index of the 40 Babs is given on foll. 469-479.

It was printed in Bombay, A H. 1280,

The colophon (fol. 105°) says that this copy was transcribed for Muhammad Ibrâhîm by قريشي قريشي on 25th Safar, A.H. 1134.

V. Foll. 1065-1115 and 1450-1640. A treatise on the articles of Muhammadan faith and legal prayers, in the form of questions and answers intended for beginners.

The title of the book and the name of the author are not given in the text. In the colophon (fol. 164h) it is called جامع القيرفات. It is also said here that the copy was transcribed for Muḥammad Ibrāhīm by خليفة وبن العابدين on 7th Dul-hijjah, A.H. 1132.

VI. Foll. 1136-1366. A Suff treatise in which the nature and rules of the spiritual life are explained, and illustrated by anecdotes and sayings of holy-men.

Beginning:-

The name of the author and the title of the work are not given, but a reference to Jāmî (fol. 114°), who is spoken of in the past tense, suggests that it was written after his death (A.H. 898—A.D. 1492). The colophon (fol. 136°) is dated Sunday, 22nd Rabi (?). The year, as in the first treatise, is 2511, which is a mistake for 1152 (A.H.).

VII. Foll. 1400.-1446. مرغوب القلوب Margûb-ul-Qulûb. A Maşnawî on the elements of asceticism and mysticism, commonly ascribed to Shams i-Tabrîzî شمس تبريزي (d. A.H. 645

A.D. 1247), the spiritual guide of Maulana Jalal-ud-Dîn Rûmî, composed, according to some copies, A.H. 757—A.D. 1356, i.e. 112 years after Shams-i Tabrizî's death—a fact which renders the statement absurd. This copy does not give any date of composition. For further detail see Ind. Office Lib. No. 1840, etc.

It begins with a short preamble in prose, thus :-

ابن كتاب موغوب القلوب از گفتار شيئ المشايخ قطب المحققين و امام السالكين شمس تبريز قدس سرة العزيز •

The poem itself begins thus:-

بگویم حمد رب العالمیسی را عطا کو کرد بر ما عقبل دین را It is divided into 10 Faşls.

VIII. Foll. 1654-1715. A theological tract on some of the religious duties of Islâm in form of Mas'alahs, by Qutb ud-Din Muhammad bin Giyâş-ud-Dîn اقطب الدين محمد بن غيات الدين الدين محمد بن غيات الدين دوسة to be identical with No. 2627 in Ethé, Ind. Office Lib. Cat.

Beginning:-

الحمد الله رب العالمين بدانكه حق ميحانه و تعالى كه برهمه بندكان مكلف فرض عين احت .

IX. Foll. 1720-1980. A mystical treatise on the doctrines of the Muhammadan faith from a Sufic standpoint. The beginning is defective, and the treatise opens thus abruptly:—

___ وتكى نيست _ وانور كه و نقش غير حق بيزاوند .

The work is illustrated by sayings of eminent Shaykhs, mystics and holy men.

The colophon (fol. 198a) is dated Sunday, 11th Jumada-II, A.H. 1134.

X. Foll, 1986-2106. رمززات Rumūzāt. A treatise dealing with some questions on religious, philosophical and ethical topics of mystical tendency, by an anonymous author:—

Beginning:-

المحمد لله على مانع القدرت و المحسنات النع .

The colophon is dated 20th Jumadi II, A.H. 1134.

The folios of this MS. are in great confusion. The right order seems to be foll. 1-21, 23-30, 22, 137-139, 31-111, 145-164, 113-136, 140-144, 165-210.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq. Slightly damaged by worm holes.

No. 477.

foll. 145; lines 15; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5$; 6×3 .

I. أمواعظ Durr-ul-Mawa'iz, foll. 16-80.

A short Masnawl on moral precepts, by Sayyid Husayn whose name appears on fol. 7b, line 15. According to the concluding verses, it was completed in A.H. 1203 — A.D. 1788.

Beginning:-

II. خرابات Kharabat, foll. 86-300.

Another Magnawi, most probably by the preceding author, containing similar matter illustrated by anecdotes, etc. The title of the poem, which expresses the date of its completion, A.H. 1204 — A.D. 1789, is given in the concluding line, on fol. 30°.

Beginning:-

III. Maşnawis منزيات foll. 305-375. A collection of short Maşnawis of different metres and on different subjects, without the author's name. The first begins thus:—

The author of this Maşnawî flourished under Shâh 'Abbâs (II), who is eulogised on fol. 3 2s.

IV. A diwan by a poet who intentionally conceals his name, foll. $38^{a}-145^{b}$. In a Qit'ah on foll. $66^{a}-66^{b}$, the poet says that although his friends insisted that he should reveal his name in the diwan, he did not like to acquire fame by composing poems. It is however evident that he flourished during the time of Kalb 'Alî Khân (A.H. 1287 = A D. 1870), whom he mentions on fol. 66^{a} . The chronograms on foll. $67^{b}-68^{a}$ range from A.H. 1201 to 1284.

Beginning:-

The diwan consists of Qaşidahs; Qit'ahs, fol. 65°; chronograms, fol. 67°; Rubā'is, fol. 68°; Gazals in alphabetical order, fol. 76°.

The first Gazal begins thus:-

يكن ال خاكساران كد به عز و سرفرازي را

كه ماه أسمان فرمان بول ماه حجازي را

Written in ordinary Nasta'liq. Not dated; 19th century.

No. 478.

foll. 137; lines 14; size 7½×4½; 6½×3½.

L باض الصنائع Riyad-us-Sana'i'. A versified treatise on metrical science and the art of rhyming, by Alfi bin Husayni Sawajî الغي بن حسيني سارجي, dedicated to 'Abd Ullah Qutub Shah of Golconda (A.H. 1020-1083 - A.D. 1611-1672), after whose name the author entitled it وياض الصنايع قطب شاهي.

Beginning with a prose preface:-

Each metre is illustrated by a distich containing its name, and followed by its scansion.

Dated Tuesday, 25th Dulhijjah, A.H. 1222.

II. Fol. 58a. Another versified treatise on the same subject without any title. In the colophon, fol. 645, the composition is ascribed to the celebrated Gulam 'All Azad of Bilgram (d. A.H. غلام على أزاد بلكرامي (1785 A.D. 1785) غلام على أزاد بلكرامي

Beginning:-

The colophon says that the transcription was completed on Monday, 14th Rabi I, A H. 1221 at Başrah, in the monastery of 'Abbas son of 'Ali the fourth Khalifah, in a hasty manner within

Foll, 65a.68b blank.

III. Fol. 69s. A collection of Ruba'is, Gazals, Masnawis, single verses, etc. from various poets.

Beginning with Ruba'is :--

After 27 Rubā'is begin the quatrains of the famous Abû Sa'îd Abul Khayr ابو معيد ابو الخير (d. A.H. 440 = A.D. 1048) fol. 716. The total number of Rubâ'is is 165, and a great many of them, belonging to different poets, are, as usual, ascribed to Abul Khayr. The first Rubâ'i under the heading رباعیات سلطان ابو سعید ابو الخیر runs thus:—

من بي تو دمي قرار نتوانم كرد اليه .

This section is not dated.
Written in ordinary Ta'liq.
The MS. is injured in many places.

No. 479.

foll. 101; lines 19; size $11\frac{1}{4} \times 7$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$.

I. Foll. 10-240. قيامت نامه Qiyamat Namah.

An account of the events which are to take place at the approach of the Day of Resurrection, and of the world to come, by Maulavi Rafi'-ud-Dîn مراوي رنيع الدين, a popular Indian scholar of the 19th century.

Beginning:-

حدد و شكر رب العرت را بر گوفاگون نعم ظاهري و باطفي ، رو ديني و دنيوي .

II. Foll. 246-266. Commentary on the initial verse of the Qurân بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم and on the بحال , viz. ملكة تمجيد , والتحمد لله ولا الله الا الله والله اكبر ولا حول ولا قوة الا بالله العلي العظيم by an anonymous author.

Beginning :-

بدائكه شيون كمالات الهي هر چند بي انتباست الم

III. Foll. 27a-54b. حراج البرار و منهاج الانوار Sirāj-ul-Abrar wa Minhāj-ul-Anwar. A theological treatise on religious obligations, consisting of selections from the work entitled غرر و درو Gurar wa Durar, which is a Persian translation of Abul Lays Samarqandi's (d. A.H. 375 — A.D. 985) Tanbih-ul Gāfilin, by 'All bin Muhammad bin 'Ali Isfahāni على بن محمد بن على اصفهاني.

Beginning:-

الحمد لله رب العالمين بدانكه اين مختصريست در علم تذكير وعظ و حكايات از احاديث محيم النع .

The work is divided into 20 short chapters enumerated at the beginning.

IV. Foll. 564-75b. فروز البكلف Durur-ul-Mukallif. Another treatise on Muhammadan theology and law, by Muhammad Amjad bin Muhammad Arshad محمد امجد ابن محمد ارشد with copious notes on the margina.

Beginning:-

نتحمد الله على ما انعمثا الإيمان هو خير الأنعام و وعدنا بدخول الجنة السلام

V. Foll. 762-806. تبذيب البيت Tahdib-ul-Mayyat. Another theological treatise dealing especially with legal precepts for funeral rites and ceremonies according to the Hanafite School, by 'Abd-ush-Shukur Ansari عبد الشكور انصاري.

Beginning: -

التعدد لولية القايم و الصلواة على نبي الكريم و اصحابه لجمعين .

VI. Foll. 81a-98b. مرجية سراجية Tarjumah-i-Sirājiyah.

A Persian translation of Sirāj ud-Dîn Muḥammad bin Muḥammad bin 'Abd ur-Rashid Sajāwandi's (who flourished about A.H. 600 — A.D. 1203) well-known treatise on the Muhammadan Law of Inheritance, commonly called السراحية, by the same Muḥammad Amjad bin Muhammad Arshad who has been mentioned above (Art. IV) as the author of a theological treatise entitled.

Beginning :-

VII. Fol. 99 contains a list of names of the saints taken from the Tadkirat-ul-Auliya of Farid-ud-Dîn Attar.

VIII. Foll. 1004-1016. A Sufic genealogy by one Sayyid Ahmad مند لعبد, who calls himself a disciple of Shaykh 'Abd-ul-'Aziz (d. A.H. 1239 = A.D. 1823) bin Shah Wali Ullah (d. A.H. 1176 = A.D. 1762). The genealogy begins with the name of the author and ends with that of the Prophet.

Written in ordinary Indian Talliq.

Not dated ; 19th century.

No. 480.

foll. 88; lines 17; size 81×51; 61×31.

L. Foll. 18-565. تحقق الردائع في حل دقائق الرقائع Tuhfat-ul-Wadā'i' fī Hall-i-Daqā'iq-ul-Waqā'i'. Explanation of the Quranic verses used in Ni'mat Khān 'Āli's well-known work "Waqā'i'-i-Ḥaidarābād," better known as "Waqā'i'-i-Ni'mat Khān 'Āli."

Beginning:-

حمد واقر و ثقار متكاثر خالقى را سزاست كه بقدرت كامله خويش شاهدان حجله ايجاد النم .

We learn from the preface that the author, who calls himself Kamāl-ud-Din Ahmad Şiddiqi, was born in كمال الدين احمد عديقي Atashparah, Parganah Naldi, District Rajshahi, and that he wrote this work A.H. 1204 = A.D. 1789 during his student life in the Calcutta Madrasah. He adds that as from the time of composition of the Waqa'i'-i-Ni'mat Khan 'Ali (A H. 1097 - A.D. 1685) down to A.H. 1204 nobody had attempted to elucidate the meanings of the Quranic verses used in the Waqa'i', and as it was difficult for readers to have a just idea of the said work without possessing a clear knowledge of the Quranic verses in it, he (the author) thought it desirable to write the present work. His literary cocupations did not however permit him to proceed with the work until the outbreak of the Hindu disturbance in the beginning of A.H. 1204, which seriously affected the working of the Madrasah for three successive years. The author thus obtained leisure, which enabled him to write this work. He further adds that the meanings and explanations given by him are generally based on the Tafsir-i-Husaynî (a well-known commentary upon the Quran by Husayn Wa'iz Kāshifi, composed, A.H. 899 = A.D. 1493), and that for the facility of readers he has mentioned the names of the Siparah, the Surah and the Ruku' at the beginning of each verse explained by him, and has also arranged the verses in the order in which they stand in the Waqa'i'.

Fol. 57 blank.

II. Foll 58a-88b. بند نامه. The popular Pand Namah of Faridud-Dîn 'Attâr (d. A.H. 627 — A.D. 1229), beginning as usual.

The Tuhfat-ul-Wadā'i' is written in a neat Nasta'liq without the scribe's name, and the Pand Namah in an ugly and careless Indian Ta'liq by one Gulam Najaf نجف بغير المالية.

Not dated : 19th century.

Some worm holes towards the end.

No. 481.

foll. 84; lines 23; size 81 × 41; 6 × 3.

I. Foll. 1b-33b. A treatise on the theoretical and practical doctrines of Sufism, interspersed with verses and quotations from the Qur'an and the sayings of holy men.

Beginning:-

و درود بيحدود و ظمود كه شمود ذات و مقصود صفات است .

The title of the work and the name of the author could not be traced. A note on the last folio of the MS. reads: "this volume consists of six treatises, viz. (1) غرثيه (2) غرثيه (2) ثلثني راز در حاشيه لمعات (3) غرثي (قالوب (5) عشقيه (4) رصلت نامه (6) شرح مرغوب القلوب (5) عشقيه (6) وعلت نامه (8) we got here only three treatises; viz. the last two mentioned, pre ceded by the present. It is therefore probable that the title عشقيه intended for the present treatise.

It breaks off abruptly thus :-

مشاهدة درست تقل ميكند ازبي معني است كه خواجه حافظ

II. Foll, 346-580. در نامهٔ اشرف خاني Dur Namah-i-Ashraf Khani. A commentary upon the mystical treatise مرغوب القلوب noticed under No. 476.

Beginning:-

حمد مر خدارندى كه ايوان حقيقت را بلغد افراخت .

The text consists of eleven Faşls in this copy. A quotation from Jâmî at the end suggests that the commentary was written after his death (A.H. 898 — A.D. 1492).

III. Foll. 59a-84a. انيس الغربا Anis-ul-Guraba. A Şufi tract interspersed with quotations from the Quran, Hadis, etc., identical with the copy noticed in Dr. Ethé, India Office Lib No. 1880, in the colophon of which the author is called 'Abd-us-Şamad بيد الصعد, who, according to the learned doctor, is probably identical with the author of the اخبار العمال , and the editor of the مكاتبات علمي . The subscription in this copy says that it was completed A.H. 148, probably meant for 1048.

Written in careless Naskh, with many clerical errors. Not dated, probably 18th century.

No. 482.

foll. 79; lines 14; size 81×51; 61×31.

جواهر العجالب JAWAHIR-UL-'AJA'IR

I. Foll, 1-16. A Tadkirah of female poets by Fakhri بنغرى, who wrote it in Sind at the court of Muhammad 'Isa Tarkhan (d. A.H. 974 - A.D. 1566).

The MS. opens abruptly thus :-

جنت مكانى شاه حس مرزا انارالله برهانه از جهال ناني بسراى جاوداني رخت بست .

The author was a panegyrist of Shah Tahmasp, and left, besides this work, a Persian translation of Mir 'Ali Shir Nawa'is, Majālis-un-Nafā'is (see Rieu, p. 365), and two collections of Gazals entitled Bustan-ul-Khayal and Tuhfat-ul-Habib.

Foll, 16-79. The Jawahir-ul-'Aja'ib is followed by the last section (نمود جهارم) of the Mir'at-ul-'Alam, treating of the biographical notices of the Persian poets. This portion corresponds with fol. 276b-291s of the copy of the Mir'at-ul-'Alam, No. 11 in this catalogue.

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq with the headings in red.

Not dated, apparently 19th century.

No. 483.

foll. 79; lines 13-22; size 91 × 6; 81 × 4.

Foll, 16-45b. A history of the first five years of Aurangzib's reign, containing a detailed account of the period during which he was occupied in crushing his competitors, and securing the throne,

Beginning :-

ابو المظفر معى الدين محمد اورنگ زيب بهادر عالمكير بادشاه غابى أن قطب فلك سلطفت و جهانداري مركز دايرا عظمت و بعثدارى .

The author, who does not reveal his name anywhere, flourished during the time of Aurangzib, of whom he speaks in the present tense. The history begins with the praises of Aurangzib, his birth and minority, followed by his campaigns in the Deccan, his struggles with his brothers, etc., etc., and ends with the death and burial of Shah Jahan in Rajab, A.H. 1076.

A copy of the work, exactly agreeing with the present, is

noticed in Rieu i, p. 265, where the contents are described.

The subscription says that the MS, belonged to one Sayyid Safdar 'Ali, better known as Sayyid Fakhr-ud-Din Husayn, bin Sayyid Amjad 'Ali,

II. Foll. 48a-79b. Biographical notices of Persian poets, without beginning or end. It begins without any preface with an account of 'Abd-ur-Rahim Khan Khanan, thus:—

and breaks off in the middle of the notice on the poet Sadiq. The poets mentioned are mostly those who flourished in Akbar, Jahangir, Shah Jahan and Aurangzib's time.

Written in careless Indian Ta'llq. Not dated, apparently 19th century. Foll, 72a-79b are written diagonally.

No. 484.

foll, 66; lines 15; size 81×41; 42×21.

I. Foll. 16-36a. الله Gulshan-i-Râz. The famous mystic Maşnawi, composed in answer to fifteen metaphysical questions propounded by Amīr Husaynī Sādāt (the author of the well-known Sufistic Maşnawi Zād-ul-Musāfirin, who died about A.H. 729 — A.D. 1328) by Shaykh Maḥmūd Shabistari مُنيَّةُ مِحْمِرُدُ شَبِانِي , who died in A.H. 720 — A.D. 1320.

Beginning:-- الده

بقام أفكه جافرا فكرت أموخت النم .

For editions, translations and other particulars see Bankîpûr Library Catalogue, vol. i, pp. 170-173.

- II. Foll. 306-664. رملت نامع Waşlat Nâmah. The Waşlat Nâmah of Farid-ud-Dîn 'Atțâr, for which see No. 299 in this gatalogue.
- III. Foll. 10-206 (Margin) ALL EL. Risâlah-i-Shâhid. A mystical prose treatise on love and its various stages, by the same Mahmûd Shabistari, who wrote it for one Shaykh Ibrâhim, a relation of Ismâ il Sisî, for whom Mahmûd entertained an admiration bordering on madness; see Sprenger, p. 478. It is divided into several Lam'ahs.

Beginning:-

Written in ordinary Naskh within coloured-ruled borders. Dated A.H. 1036, see fol. 36c.

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Foll. 216-27" (margin). Some selected poems and verses from other poets, written in a later Indian Ta'laq.

No. 485.

foll. 28; lines 13; size 74 × 5 > 6 × 34.

I. Foll. 166. راج الوهاج Sirāj-ul-Wahhāj. A discursive commentary on a verse of Ḥāfiṣ, by Sirāj-ud-Dîn 'Ali Khān Arzu راج الدين على خال أزور (d. A.H. 1169 — A.D. 1755), the author of the well-known biographical work Majma'-un-Nafā'is, etc.

Beginning :-

The verse commented upon is:-

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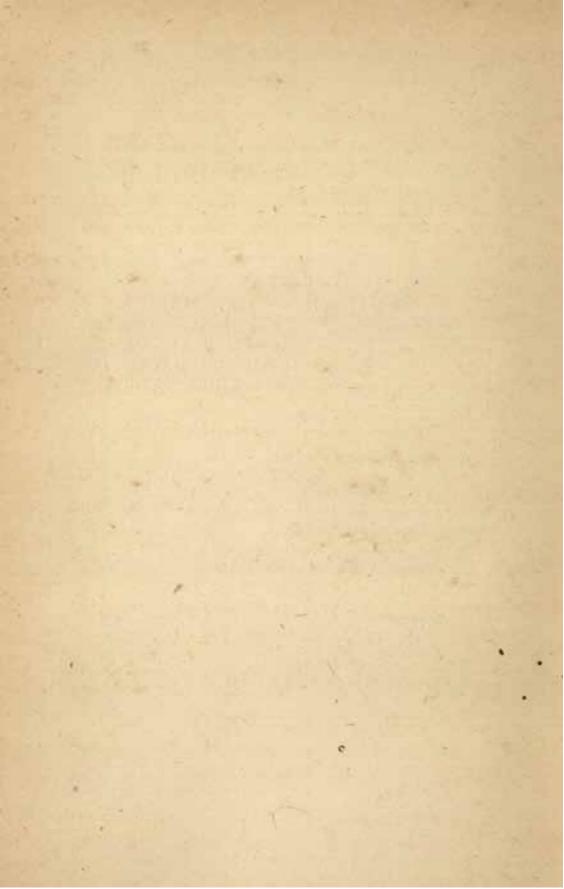
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Beginning:-

Written in ordinary Indian Ta'liq.

The colophon of this treatise is dated Friday, 29th Rabi' II,

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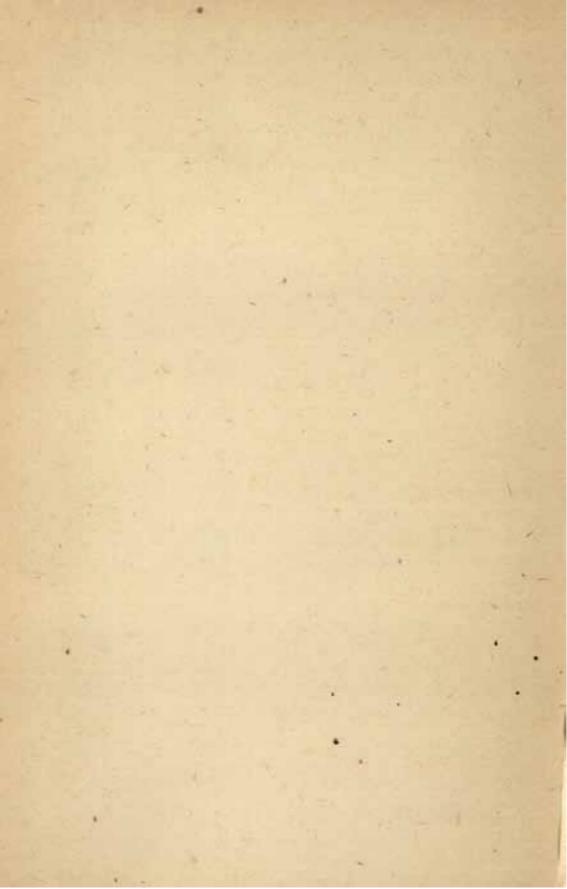
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